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Editorial

DURING the sixteenth century the conception of life and its purpose was entirely different from that of today. There were material discomforts, of course, but most people felt that they knew what they were about. They had a general philosophy not expressed in so many words but rather a conglomeration of Greek, Roman and Christian theories on human behaviour. This universal unanimity was known as "the natural order of things." Everything, including Man, had a fixed place in God's universe and if any disaster or unnatural disturbance occurred, chaos would ensue. Of course, this was only applicable in a superstitious society and the impregnation of such a doctrine would, naturally, cause a cessation or retardation in the desire to seek more knowledge, which is the normal sign of a civilised and ever-advancing community.

Yet if we forget the disadvantages and look at the advantages of such a philosophy, even in the cold light of the twentieth century, certain aspects of it might be well received. After all a fear of "divine retribution" would mean an end to all "H"-bombs or wars—so contrary to the doctrine of brotherly love—as, also, it would mean the disappearance of racial prejudice; in fact many things, which are a common feature of our life today, would simply not exist under this discipline of fear.

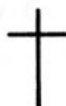
Of course this is impossible. Such a premise relies on a large number of "ifs" and refuses to accept the fact that human nature, such as it is, cannot work that way. But surely two words epitomise to a great extent the situation and the need in the world today—fear and discipline.

Most of our life is controlled by some fear or other, usually completely self-centred. Fear of war, hunger, death and so on are very real in both Eastern and Western hemispheres of this globe and it is certainly true that such a fear is a discipline controlling the more violent of our actions. Surely where the fear is for the good of both the individual and society, its maintenance is essential?

But again there must be safeguards. The rights of the individual must be guarded and the rights of the minority, which imply freedom of expression to combat totalitarian government. However, "freedom of expression" does not mean a total disregard of discipline. Lack of it today is undoubtedly a contributory cause towards the unruliness and degenerate condition of the teenage population, despite the cry of horror which the "child psychiatrist" might raise on reading such a statement. This, we hasten to add, is not an appeal to crush the vitality of the younger generation, far from it—the teenage response to the World Refugee Appeal Fund is an example of youthful energy directed towards a worthwhile venture. No, it is rather a reminder that at this moment the future of the whole human race is held in the balance by the state of world tension and that it is on today's children that the fate of the world in the future largely depends.

The sixteenth century with its doctrines of discipline and order in the universe can well be applied, if in a somewhat limited manner, now, in this century. Discipline in the home, in school, in ourselves will mean a secure and *safe* life in the future. Hence we will remedy and cure fear, not exploit it. However, strange as it may seem in the *Swan*, the maxim "Spare the rod and spoil the child" has far more truth in it now than it ever held before.

R.M.M.



Obituary Notices

We record with sorrow the deaths of these friends of the School:-

Alderman W. H. JENNINGS, Vice-Chairman of the Governors.

MR. M. MILLS, Assistant County Education Officer.

MR. H. C. TODD, Senior English Master, Hampden House Master.

School Officials

School Captain: T. E. Knight.

Vice-Captains: K. Halstead and A. B. M. Deuchar.

Prefects: A. Alderman, G. Ayre, J. L. Bayford, K. Butler, E. Clements, N. Collins, F. J. Davey, R. Dearlove, P. J. Faulkner, J. S. Fowler, R. Greenfield, C. D. Halsey, W. Hardy, M. Head, D. Holdford, M. Holliday, A. Johnson, I. Lindop, A. Lucas-Smith, K. Martin, R. Monks, G. Oliver, W. R. Osborne, B. Ray, D. J. Smith, C. P. Summerhayes, G. H. Taylor, P. A. Taylor, C. Tyrie, R. J. Willatts.

Cricketer Captain: M. Holliday.

Football Captain: M. Holliday.

Hockey Captain: A. B. M. Deuchar.

Athletics Captain: M. Holliday.

Cross-Country Captain: C. P. Summerhayes.

Tennis Captain: A. B. M. Deuchar.

Basketball Captain: M. Holliday.

Rowing Captain: G. Ayre.

Editors: Terence E. Knight, Keith Halstead, Roger Monks, Ian D. Stuart.

School Notes

SCHOOL NUMBERS HAVE increased steadily. In September, 1959, term opened with 632 on roll, of whom 126 were in the sixth form. At the time of going to press the school total is 638. The sixth form has doubled in the past three years.

In place of Monsieur M. Fichet, who left us in July, we welcome Herr K. Buchecker from Zurich, the first Swiss Assistant to spend a year in the school.

Our congratulations to Mr. J. J. Pearce, who has been appointed Senior English Master at the Burnham Grammar School, which opens in September.

Congratulations to Mr. J. E. Moutrie, who gained the degree of B.Mus., last summer, and to Dr. R. T. Spence, who presented his thesis last year and was awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy by the University of London.

We have been pleased to welcome ten new members of staff during the past year; Mr. F. D. Gibson, M.A., is Head of the English Department; Mr. J. E. Moutrie, B.Mus., is Music Director; Mr. J. G. Myatt is in charge of P.E., and Mr. J. W. Davies is Head of the Economics Department. Mr. A. G. Davies has come to teach Russian and German; Mr. T. Hooley for English and Latin; Mr. R. W. Willett for English; Messrs. F. T. Blagrove and J. W.

Boggis for Mathematics, and Mr. Whatmore for History and Religious Instruction.

Mr. R. J. Gibbs left us in July to become Senior Master at the Slough and Eton Primary School; Mr. D. Church went to the staff of a new secondary modern school at High Wycombe, and Mr. P. Saunders took up private business in the West Country. At Christmas, for family reasons, Mr. M. Barwick moved to Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

All past and present members of staff and school wish Mr. and Mrs. V. Evans a long and happy retirement together, when he leaves in July after 19 years' service in school as Art Master.

We wish to express regret and sympathy to our Assistant Caretakers, Mr. F. Bowman, who has had to resign on account of ill-health, and Mr. Pilgrim, who has been suffering severely from arthritis since last December.

The sudden death of Mr. H. C. Todd on January 10th, two days after term began, was a great shock to all who had known him during his long service to the school as Head of the English Department and a Senior House-master.

School is proud of the good success of W. J. Hines, who in the past year has gained the M.Sc. degree of London University, a research scholarship from the Medical Council, and a travelling scholarship from Rotary.

Mr. G. P. Sonnex again arranged and conducted a reciprocal exchange with the Humboldt School, Essen, this time for 29 boys.

Senior members of the school enjoyed a recital in November from the McGibbon String Quartet, and in the same week the junior school heard an operatic programme from the Sadlers Wells Opera Group.

Two interesting projects are being conducted at school. It is a station in the Slough check on Air Pollution, and our geographers are also collaborating with an investigation by the Geography Department of University College on London's climate.

Congratulations to the School Orchestra on its steady development during the past year.

The high reputation of school athletics reached a new peak when, after gaining the championship in all three sections of the Slough Schools District Sports last year, we sent nine boys to represent the County at the All-England Sports. Special praise goes to M. Holliday, our Athletics Captain, for gaining first the Southern Counties and then the All-England first place for Hop, Step and Jump.

The united and continued efforts for World Refugee Relief have brought great credit to members of the school. Already over £150 has been contributed to the Mayor of Slough's Fund.

Most commendable and successful endeavour by senior linguists of the school resulted in two excellent public performances at the end of the Spring Term of Molière's comedy *Le Médecin Malgré Lui*.

We are sorry to lose the services of Miss C. Wells, B.Mus., under whose tuition nine boys have begun the study of the 'cello. In her place we welcome Miss J. Feather, L.R.A.M.

Congratulations to George Ayre, who had the distinction of gaining an R.A.F. Scholarship which will take him to Cranwell on completion of his sixth form studies in Modern Languages.

Praise also to Michael Martin, who won an R.N. Scholarship.

Members of the 5th and 6th forms were privileged to see Molière's play *L'Avare*, presented by La Troupe Française at High Wycombe High School.

We are proud of those who gained State Scholarships last July: A. Cordery (Maths.); C. Davenport (History); N. Page (Zoology). All these are now at University.

The Choral Society maintained its enthusiasm and enhanced its quality in the Carol Concert at Christmas and the programme of Easter music in April.

In December the School Dramatic Society, under the direction of Mr. J. J. Pearce, gave a most successful series of performances of Christopher Fry's play *The Firstborn*, for which members designed and made the stage sets and the costumes.

Seventy-three 6th form Physics students have attended lectures held under the auspices of The Royal Institution, The Institute of Civil Engineers, The Royal Meteorological Society and The Science Museum on various aspects of Physics, including both past achievements and the latest lines of investigation on specialized topics. All who attended much appreciated hearing recognized experts describing their investigations and discoveries.

Hail

B. J. Aherne, B. T. Allcorn, J. M. Allen, C. J. Barnett, J. Baxter, P. J. M. Bell, R. Birtchnell, P. A. Broadbent, N. J. Brown, S. E. Brown, R. H. C. Bull, H. M. Burden, D. I. Butler, N. P. Campbell, G. Clarke, C. A. Cockburn, G. Coles, I. Coles, P. Conlon, I. R. W. Cooke, M. I. Cooper, A. S. Cross, I. S. Cruikshank, J. A. Cruikshank, W. Cull, D. W. Davies, R. F. Davies, C. R. Davis, G. M. Davison, M. A. Deans, M. Dockray, M. T. Donoghue, C. C. Dyer, J. L. Earl, R. M. Evans, K. Fraser, M. A. Garrett, J. S. Gedge, D. E. Gleave, K. Gorman, R. S. Grantham, J. R. Hamilton, R. T. Hannam, C. J. Hart, H. D. Hillier, N. S. Hodgson, R. C. Hodskins, A. D. John, J. E. Keates, D. F. Kemp, M. Kennedy, J. G. Kitching, R. W. Lang, J. C. Lataarche, D. W. Lawrence, E. F. Leach, R. M. P. Lewis, M. W. McGuire, C. D. McMillan, M. R. Massey, R. Mattimore, C. G. Morflew, D. M. Murtagh, G. K. Naylor, M. H. Nolan, G. R. Olson, J. M. Overton, C. A. Parker, A. Peters, A. C. Pilarz, A. Potter, I. G. Priede, M. F. Puttock, A. Raeside, J. E. Raven, P. V. Rufus, R. P. Shaw, M. J. Skidmore, R. M. Skidmore, A. P. Smith, K. D. Smith, M. I. Stanborough, B. J. Street, J. E. Sturrock, A. J. Thatcher, S. A. Thompson, T. W. Tindall, N. G. Traylen, C. J. Tripp, P. K. Wakefield, D. J. Wallington, G. M. Wallace, A. J. Weller, C. L. N. White, M. D. White, J. B. Wilkinson, B. D. Winser, G. R. Wisley, M. A. R. Bailey, N. J. Baldwin, S. V. Blandamen, T. Bray, W. M. Brindle, T. M. Burchett, P. D. A. Cannings, F. Carpenter, D. I. Cooper, J. Coyne, R. W. Cove, A. J. Davies, P. B. Daudo, M. J. A. Duff, M. Gaim, A. C. G. Garnett, R. J. Grimes, J. A. Hale, M. Holloway, W. A. Lee, J. W. Loryman, H. M. Lunn, A. W. Langford, P. S. Langford, P. S. Marshall, D. J. Nicholas, R. F. Pallett, A. Platt, J. A. Scrivens, P. E. Simmonds, R. S. Whelan, M. R. Withers.

Farewell

N. Arden, P. Austin, J. Barker, M. Barry, A. Blackburn, D. Buckley, C. Burfoot, M. Canty, M. Carter, J. Clark, R. Clay, A. Cordery, M. Colbourne, C. Davenport, G. Dewar, R. Dibling, I. Elliott, C. Evans, R. Evans, T. Flower, R. Gale, A. Gibson, T. Gibson, H. Gilbert, L. Hendy, A. Henry, B. Hill, A. Hudson, J. Jebson, A. Jervis, A. Jones, E. Jordan, R. Knight, W. Layn, C. Lewis, M. Lewis, A. Lomax, G. Lynn, G. Mason, V. Mason, C. Makepiece, J. Mant, M. Martin, D. Morten, B. O'Dell, M. O'Dell, N. Page, G. Painting, D. Preest, M. Purdy, J. Pywell, C. Rees, D. Robinson, P. Robinson, D. Rowlands, W. Sharpe, B. Slade, C. Smith, C. Taylor, M. Taylor, I. Titcombe, R. Wake, A. Watson, A. West, R. Whiten, H. Willans, D. Wilson, A. Green.

Speech Day, 1959

ON MONDAY, 23rd November, boys from the 4th, 5th and 6th forms, together with their parents and many Old Boys, had the pleasure of welcoming

Sir John Wolfenden, C.B.E., the Vice-Chancellor of Reading University, as their guest speaker at what proved to be one of the most successful Speech Days for many years.

After being welcomed by Mr. J. T. Ireland, C.C., the Chairman of the Board of Governors, the Choral Society and Assembly Choir gave us three items: Parry's *I was glad*, Morley's *See, see mine own sweet jewel* and Bach's *Now let us to the bagpipe's sound*.

In his report, Dr. Long referred to the inadequacy of the accommodation, especially for Scientists, in the School. He said that this was the most serious problem that the School had to face at the present time and that we should have to make do until the Ministry of Education was willing to sanction expenditure.

Sir John Wolfenden presented the Prizes and certificates and then gave his address in which he stressed the importance of standards. Those standards maintained by a School, were those which became habitual in later life.

The Head Boy, T. E. Knight, proposed a vote of thanks, which was ably seconded by his deputy, K. Halstead.

I.D.S.

PRIZES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1959.

FORMS I: Subject Prizes

Towersey, A. (*English*); Flynn, N. (*French*); Spellman, G. (*Mathematics, History*); Willson, C. M. (*History*); Lynch, J. R. J. (*Geography*); Taylor, F. V. (*Science*); Mrowka, S. (*Art*).

FORMS II: Subject Prizes

Light, G. C. (*English, Latin, History*); McGoun, R. J. (*French*); Stenning, D. J. (*Mathematics*); Murray, J. A. (*History*); Barrett, R. L. (*Geography*); Livingston, A. (*Science*); Liszka, A. A. (*Art*); Sampson, K. P. (*Woodwork*); Francis, R. M. (*Metalwork*); Timms, C. A. (*Music*).

FORMS III: Subject Prizes

Hincheliffe, P. M. (*English*); Garner, D. E. (*Latin, German, French, Mathematics, Music*); Birmingham, W. (*French*); Alderman, A. J. (*Mathematics*); Slater, P. C. (*History*); Clarke, M. J. (*Geography*); Higginson, B. R. (*Science, Woodwork*); Brown, R. J. (*Art*); Hatt, M. G. (*Metalwork*); Symes, D. B. (*Music*).

FORMS IV: Subject Prizes

Burley, C. T. A. (*English*); Derks, A. J. (*Latin*); Willson, M. H. (*French, Music*); Godber, J. R. (*German*); Le Page, J. S. (*Mathematics, Physics*); Sherlock, R. W. (*History*); Smyth, A. P. (*Geography*); Louch, C. T. (*Physics*); Herbert, I. S. (*Chemistry*); Solomon, M. G. (*Biology*); Bull, G. E. (*Gen. Science*); Airley, D. R. (*Art*); Kolaszynski, M. C. (*Woodwork*); Beer, D. G. (*Metalwork*); Timms, C. R. (*Music*).

FORMS V: Subject Prizes

Taylor, N. G. (*English Language, Chemistry*); Baker, A. D. (*English Literature*); Elliston, A. C. (*Latin, Mathematics, Chemistry*); Davis, R. S. (*French, German, General Science*); Greenaway, L. E. (*History*); Purdy, M. B. (*Geography*); Froggatt, H. W. (*Physics*); Grimwood, P. D. (*Chemistry, French*); French, M. R. (*Biology, English Literature*); Wakeham, N. (*Art*); Lister, D. H. (*Woodwork*); Whiten, R. S. (*Metalwork*).

LOWER SIXTH: Subject Prizes

Monks, R. M. (*English*); Whitaker, R. J. (*Latin*); Ayre, G. A. (*French*); Butler, K. (*German*); Taylor, P. A. (*Pure and Applied Mathematics*); de Burton, A. D. (*History*); Johnson, A. M. (*Geography*); Alderman, A. E. (*Economics*); Ray, B. (*Physics*); Fowler, J. S. (*Chemistry*).

UPPER SIXTH: Subject Prizes

Davenport, C. (*English, History*); Elliott, I. H. (*Physics*); Evans, C. C. (*Geography*); Flynn, W. (*Applied Mathematics*); Gale, R. L. P. (*English*); Gilbert, H. C. (*Chemistry, Biology*); Hardy, W. (*Pure and Applied Mathematics*); Jervis, A. F. (*Latin, Spanish*); Knight, T. F. (*German*); Mant, J. C. (*Economics*); Mason, G. J. (*French*).

CERTIFICATES FOR "ORDINARY" LEVEL SUBJECTS,
G.C.E. EXAMINATION

- 9 subjects Grimwood, P.; Nash, R.
- 8 subjects Baxter, S.; Davis, R.; Dowding, R.; Dowson, P.; Eyre, J.; Ford, J.; French, M.; Fuller, R.; Gedge, R.; Gumm, D.; Hill, R.; Hughes, C.; Lister, D.; Purdy, M.; Read, P.; Rundle, W.; Stevens, R.; Taylor, G.
- 7 subjects Billington, M.; Clark, I.; Elliston, A.; Fuggles, M.; Gatehouse, J.; Gibson, A.; Hatch, R.; Hellmuth, C.; Lane, K.; Marsden, E.; MacDonald, J.; McGlinchey, J.; Spooner, P.; Stenning, M.; Taylor, N.; Wakeham, N.; Wilkerson, J.
- 6 subjects Canty, M. (+ 2 in 1958); Crooks, A.; Duffy, H.; Martin, C.; Mearns, J.; Oliver, A.; Price, C.; Reid, J.; Ridgely, J.; Roberts, H.; Selzer, R.; Stuart, L.; Wallis, K.; Willans, H.
- 5 subjects Doyle, C.; Freeman, M.; Gilson, M.; Greenaway, L.; Jury, L.; Marshall, C.; Parker, D.; Stroud, H.; Winfield, G.
- 4 subjects Baker, A.; Ball, G.; Barry, M.; Dean, M.; Field, J.; Hill, B.; Hole, D.; Makepeace, C.; Stacey, W.
- 3 subjects Altmayer, A.; Arden, N.; Buckley, D. (+ 1 in 1958); Evans, R.; Lewis, A.; Lomax, A. (+ 2 in 1958); Painting, G.; Hodgson, R.; Jordan, E.; Taylor, M.

SIXTH FORM CERTIFICATES

	Advanced Level	Scholarship Level
*Barker, J.	E, F.	
Blackburn, A. E.	P.	
Burfoot, C. F.	C, B.	
*Clark, J.	H, Gy, Ec.	
Clay, R.	P.	
Colbourne, M. N.	PM, P, C.	
Davey, J. F.	PM, P, C.	
Deuchar, A. B. M.	PM, P, C.	
Dibling, R. C.	P, C.	
*Elliott, I. H.	PM, AM, P†	
Emilie-Henry, A. C. C.	Ec.	
*Evans, C. C.	H, Gy, Ec.	
Faulkner, P. J.	C.	
*Flynn, W.	PM, AM†, HM, P.	PM, AM, P.
Franks, R. D.	G.	
*Gale, R. L. P.	E, H.	
*Gilbert, H. C.	PAM, C, B.	B.
Halstead, K. S. H.	PM, P, C.	
*Hardy, W.	PM, AM.	AM.
Holdford, D. R.	C, Zy.	
Holliday, F. M.	P, W.	
*Jervis, A. F.	L†, P†	
*Jones, A. L.	E, L, F.	
*Knight, T. F.	G, H, Ec.	
Levings, A. P.	L.	
*Lewis, M.	H, Gy, Ec.	
Lindop, I. J.	E, L, F.	
Lucas-Smith, A. J. H.	P, C.	

*Mant, J. C.	H, Gy, Ec.	
Martin, K. A.	P, C.	
Mason, G. J.	P†, Sp.	F†.
*Mason, V.	PM, AM, P.	PM, AM.
Oliver, G.	Gy.	
Osborne, W. R.	P, C.	
Rees, C.	Ec.	
Rowlands, D. G.	P, C.	
Sharpe, W. A.	PM, AM, P.	PM, AM, P.
Smith, G. F.	C.	
Titcomb, I. W.	H, Gy, Ec.	
Tyrie, C. R.	P, C.	
Watson, A. W.	H.	
*West, A. J.	PM, AM.	
Willatts, R. J.	P.	
Wilson, D. G.	PM, AM.	

STATE SCHOLARS

Cordery, A. R.	PM†, AM, HM, P.	PM†, AM, P.
Davenport, C.	E, L†, H.	H†.
Page, N. A.	C, Bot, Zy.	Bot†, Zy.

UNIVERSITY AWARDS

Open Exhibition to Downing College, Cambridge		
A. Hudson	AM, HM†, P.	P†.
Open Scholarship to Clare College, Cambridge		
B. G. Odell	AM, HM†, P†.	P†.

KEY:

English (E); Latin (L); French (F); History (H); Geography (Gy); German (G); Spanish (Sp); Economics (Ec); Pure Mathematics (PM); Applied Mathematics (AM); Higher Mathematics (HM); Pure and Applied Mathematics (PAM); Physics (P); Chemistry (C); Botany (Bot); Zoology (Zy); Biology (B); Woodwork (W).

* County Awards

† Distinction

A.C.F. CERTIFICATES

Cert. A. (Parts I and II) Dewar, G.; Mearns, J. B.; Martin, M.; Winfield, G.

Cert. T. Buckley, D.; Robey, K.

R.A.F. SCHOLARSHIP

Ayre, George.

ROYAL NAVAL SCHOLARSHIP

Martin, Michael.

SPECIAL PRIZES

Headmaster's Prize: Barker, J. (Head Boy 1958/1959).

Library Service: Faulkner, P.; Stuart, I.

Swimming Championship Challenge Cup (presented by County Alderman A. E. Ward): Marshall, J.

General Service: Mason, V.

Ford Cup (for outstanding voluntary service to the School): Clark, J.

Dramatics Prize: Monks, R.

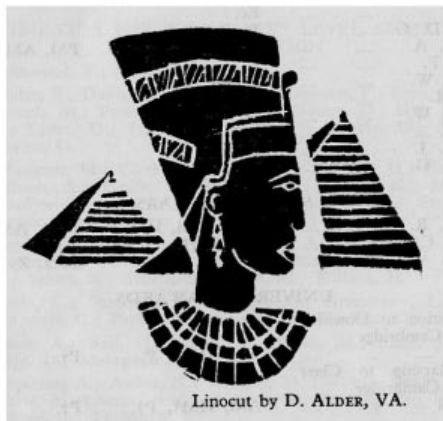
Music Prize: Hanson, J. M.

Magazine Prize: Knight, T. F.

Old Paludian's House Shield (for games and athletics): Hampden House.

School Activities

The School Play



THE FIRSTBORN

by Christopher Fry

CAST

ANATH BITHIAH, sister to the Pharaoh	DAVID ALDER
TEUSRET, daughter to the Pharaoh	CHRISTOPHER LUCK
SETI II, Pharaoh of Egypt	ROGER MONKS
RAMESES, his son	CLIFFORD EVANS
KEF, his Chamberlain	IAIN PUDNEY
MOSES	KEITH MARTIN
AARON, his brother	THOMAS McMAHON
MIRIAM, his sister	MICHAEL REEVES
SHENDI, Miriam's son	BRIAN ROBERTS
OVERSEERS	ROGER JONES BARRY GATES

DESIGNED AND PRODUCED
by

JOHN J. PEARCE

Stage Management : G. C. D. WINFIELD

Design and Costumes :

D. ALDER, M. REEVES, F. TAYLOR, M. W. STOKES

Set Construction :

J. F. REID, D. H. PARKER, C. J. PRICE, J. FORD, D. J. PRATT

Effects :

H. J. F. STROUD

Prompter :

A. C. PARSONS

Lights :

F. J. DAVEY, J. S. FOWLER

Properties :

N. B. HEARN

THE CHOICE OF play this year was both unusual and exciting. As a result, the opening night was awaited with great interest, and not a little apprehension.

Fry is a master craftsman, and *The Firstborn* is a fine play. It is based on the conjectural life of Moses, from the time when he was an Egyptian prince, to the Exodus of the Israelites. The strength of the play lies in its original and very effective verse, and in the characterisation. Surprisingly, eminent writers often draw such biblical characters in 'Hollywood black and white'; but not so Fry.

Thus the cast was armed with good material, and also the finest set ever seen on the school stage. They did not waste them.

Perhaps they were given a false sense of security by the finest of all opening lines, for the play faltered for the first few minutes. It soon gathered momentum, however, and captured the audience. The clean, straightforward production, and good acting of live characters was the key to success. The Pharaoh was well played as being weak and equivocal, but there was, perhaps, more room for tragedy in his part. Rameses was well cast both for his voice and appearance, and these two, together with Aaron, underlined the human aspect in this clash of racial interest. Aaron was acted with good judgement, and, when necessary, unobtrusively. Anath Bithiah, a most important factor in the play, was very cleverly acted, as was Miriam, a difficult part. The all important figure, however, was Moses. Moses took the centre of the stage, and his strong influence on the action was 'architectural' rather than dynamic. With a resounding 'cathedral crypt' voice, this was most effective, and lest scenes should become tableaux, Teusret was sent scampering across the stage whenever this was possible. Led by these characters, the play rose steadily to an effective climax and ended with great force.

A success that was by no means easy merits very great praise.

K. S. H. HALSTEAD.

Le Médecin malgré lui

IN CONTRAST TO last year's production of Sartre's drama *Morts sans Sépulture* the "cercle français" turned its talents towards comedy, and at the end of the Easter term gave two excellent performances, in French, of Molière's *Le Médecin malgré lui*. This was a very wise choice, admirably suiting those members of the "cercle" who show outstanding capabilities in making an audience laugh without resorting to clowning.

The appeal of the comedies of Molière is partly attributed to his genius in character creation. His inventive mind produced many characters who still seem very much alive to us, three centuries after their first appearance because, although they are not mere set-types or puppets of the stage, they are people common to all times whom we can recognize even in our own society. For this reason his comedy stands up well to modernization in dress and scenery, and if in the process, details of manners and speech appear incongruous, the play is not unduly marred since the characters remain as real as they ever have been. The producers, Mr. N. McCabe and Mr. R. E. Malin saw fit for economic reasons to carry out this modernization, and may be congratulated on obtaining a very natural transition, resulting in some lively but unspoiled

entertainment. Notably, their efforts also achieved that slight overlap in the dialogue, as conversation passed quickly from one person to another and timed this to such a pitch that the play was never static; yet the high standard of French speaking ensured only a small loss of words. It was obvious throughout the play that something was always happening. It is an artistic fault that, to give us this impression, the action of less important characters lifted attention from the central figure on the stage, but this is surely excusable as it filled those moments when some of the meaning of the longer, more involved speeches was lost to us.

The play, which curiously was written within only three months of the finishing of *Le Misanthrope*, perhaps Molière's most momentous work, is one of his lightest and least complicated plays. The action revolves entirely around Sganarelle, a capriciously wicked but likable character who, with a pronounced ability for adapting himself to the situation and profiting from it, joins the ranks of the better-class rogues of literature. Somehow he has been captured into the state of matrimony by the sharp-tongued, terre-à-terre Martine, who has to suffer his irresponsible practices and receives only blows for her troubles. After a fierce quarrel between them, interrupted only by their neighbour, Monsieur Robert, Martine appears consoled by Sganarelle but vows vengeance for the blows she has received. The ideal opportunity to get her own back on her husband arrives when she meets two strangers, Lucas and Valère, apparently looking for a doctor to cure their master's daughter, who has suddenly lost the use of her tongue. Martine carefully explains that Sganarelle, although at the moment chopping wood in the forest, is in fact a remarkable doctor who, despite his feeble nature, has an impressive record of success. They act on her advice and finally manage, with the aid of some violent persuasion, to convince Sganarelle that he is a doctor and they escort him to their master. The master is the strict father Geronde, and with him is Jacqueline, a nurse and wife of Lucas. Sganarelle, now masquerading quite confidently in his new profession, examines Lucinde the daughter, in a scene containing enough satire to make a physician squirm with embarrassment. When finally left alone he is confronted by Léandre, a young man in love with Lucinde, who explains the reason for her apparent dumbness . . . The intrigue develops, until, with the use of guile and considerable luck the play ends happily for all parties.

Ian Lindop interpreted the part of Sganarelle with such excellent stage-intuition and feel for the comedy of his predicament that interest never flagged when he was present. Stuart Baxter played Martine with such verve that in the quarrel scene his portrayal of a typical, country housewife was most realistic. As Monsieur Robert, Michael Head made an effective entry but did not quite convey the sense of the ridiculous after the interruption, as the situation reverses and both husband and wife turn on him. Lucas, appearing as a rather vulgar, broad-mannered, incredulous yokel, was acted intelligently if at times, a little obviously, by Alan de Burton. He contrasted well with Norman Lovelock, who seemed quite at ease in the part of Valère, the other, more witted stooge. In the second act George Ayre moved naturally as Geronde, never wasting his lines and always aware of the relative importance of his presence. William Rundle was less convincing as Lucinde but tried gamely in a part made difficult by its brevity and lack of dialogue. Christopher Halsey was ideally cast as the peasant lover, Léandre. David Pratt, a younger member of the cast, had language difficulty but played reliably the suspicious nurse, Jacqueline. A final, welcome touch was the entry of Thibaut and Perrin, played by Keith Butler and Raymond Whitaker. They were perfectly dressed as peasant and son and could have been improved if the tone of their speech was as rustic as their actual words.

The scenery, which was sparse but effective, was built by Graham Winfield, Michael Stokes, Edward Foster and Barry Gates and lighting was arranged by Mr. R. Mills, Frederick Davey and John Fowler. Andrew Oliver and Mirosław Kolaszinski took care of the "front of the house" management. Ian Stuart, the prompter, had little to do. The make-up men, Mr. E. Thomas, Roger Monks, Michael Reeves and David Alder deserve particular praise for some excellent effects.

It is a fact that the role of Sganarelle was often performed by Molière himself and that after Molière's death his company formed part of the new "Comédie-Française". Since *Le Médecin malgré lui* has therefore obvious connection with this company, to suggest that the efforts of the "cercle français" have been directed along the route of the continuous traditions of the "Comédie-Française" is the one valid compliment with which the group can be completely satisfied.

A. LUCAS-SMITH, U.VI.

Cadets' Centenary

FORMER MEMBERS OF the School Cadet Company may like to be reminded that this year marks the centenary of the Army Cadet Force and to remember with some pride that the Company has itself existed for very nearly half a century. It was one of those comparatively few units which kept going during the lean times of the late twenties and early thirties. That it did is a fine tribute to the loyalty and voluntary spirit of the officers and cadets of those days. They played their part in making this centenary possible.

It is being celebrated at national level by a Royal Parade at Buckingham Palace of 1,500 cadets of the A.C.F. and C.C.F. on the morning of Friday, 22nd July (the day after we break up) followed in the afternoon by a service at Westminster Abbey. Our representative in this parade will be Sgt. E. Clements. In this County, the Banner presented to the A.C.F. by its Colonel-in-Chief, H.R.H. The Prince Philip, will be paraded at a Church Parade in Aylesbury on the afternoon of Sunday, September 4th. In Slough itself, it is hoped to arrange a parade and display later in September.

Centenary or not, the highlight of the Cadets' year will probably be, as always, Annual Camp. This year, on the day after the Loyal Parade, about 25 members of the Company will go to Weymouth for ten days under canvas. Previous camps there have been happy ones, the site overlooking Chesil Beach being within easy reach of both Weymouth itself and the beautiful Hardy country.

Cadets who were at last year's camp in Norfolk will wish us to thank Major L. Verney, who commands a T.A. Battery at Taplow, and Major K. C. Jones for their tireless efforts in both training and recreational activities. Without their enthusiasm the camp would hardly have been the success that it was.

Major Jones, who came from the Regular Army to take up the new full-time appointment of County Training Officer just before last camp, is already a well known and popular figure with our members, and his visits to us are always welcome and appreciated.

He has organised the new Winter League .22 Competition which has brought fresh life to our shooting. Throughout the eleven rounds our team, consisting of Sgt. Clements, Cpls. Thomas, Osborne, Roberts, and L/c. Winfield, has maintained a good standard, often under severe weather conditions on our open range.

Another new venture for this company was the ten-day course in electrical engineering which L/c. J. B. Mearns went to in Kent just before Easter. There he qualified for Certificate 'T', and gained the grade "Outstanding." L/c. Mearns also hopes to qualify this term as Signal Instructor.

Also on the subject of Signals, a former member of the Section, D. A. Bell, after three years' Regular service in R.E.M.E., has been commissioned into Royal Signals. He is the third member of the Signals Section to be gazetted into that Corps.

The Section has just received five new wireless sets, including a No. 19—its first long range mobile set—bringing the total number of sets to 14. The Section now learns morse, a necessary qualification for operators, on the School's national set. The Signallers expect this term to hold their first full-scale manoeuvre.

A notable event in the Autumn Term was the visit to the School of the Commanding Officer and lecture team of the 1st Greenjackets to give a dramatic account of the history and traditions of this our County Regiment.

We were happily reminded of that occasion at the Company's Christmas Party, which, owing to the kindness of the parents and the enterprise of the N.C.O.'s, was again a great success.

We extend good wishes to those Cadets who are candidates this term for the Certificate "A" and Signals examinations. We welcome the recruits, who showed such keenness on the night exercise, and hope they will have the staying power to become the future N.C.O.'s. of the Company. Finally, with real regret we say goodbye to those of our present N.C.O.'s. whose school life ends this term. We thank them, on behalf of all our members past and present, for their many, many hours of loyal and enthusiastic service, and we know those same qualities they have displayed as Cadets will enable them to make a success of their chosen careers.

Examination successes were:- Certificate "A": G. Winfield, J. B. Mearns, M. R. Martin, W. A. G. Dewar. Certificate "T": J. B. Mearns. Signals Instructor's Certificate: K. Robey, W. A. G. Dewar, G. Winfield, H. T. Roberts, R. Selzer. Signals Classification: J. B. Mearns, T. M. Daly, R. Cobbett, G. Thomas.

N.C.O.'s' Appointments: Platoon Commanders: Sgt. G. Oliver, Sgt. A. Lucas-Smith. A/C.S.M.: Sgt. E. Clements. A/C.Q.M.S.: Sgt. R. A. Burrell. Snr. Signals Instructors: Sgt. M. Hanson, Sgt. A. Lucas-Smith. Rifle Team Captain: Cpl. W. R. Osborne. Armoury N.C.O.: Cpl. W. D. R. Thomas.

Dale, 1960

THE SCHOOL'S representatives at this year's expedition to the "Woolly West of Wales" were only Biologists, for want of a better name, the L.VI Geographers having been relegated to the precincts of Juniper Hall.

For the party of six, led by the tolerant Mr. Colombo, Wednesday, 23rd March, 10.30 a.m., Slough Station, was zero hour. The journey from Paddington to Haverfordwest proved, as ever before, noteworthy, with its programme of argument, eating and drinking.

Upon arrival at Haverfordwest, we were transported by coach to Dale village, 12 miles distant, where followed a mile walk to the fort, because of a Welsh architect who built a house in the middle of the road! At the Fort, a hot meal was eagerly devoured, after which we were given an introductory talk by Mr. Martin George, the assistant warden.

The week was occupied by a study of Littoral Ecology (which for the uninitiated means the study of sea-shore plants and animals in relation to their natural habitat). Sea-shore life is particularly interesting as it must be able to withstand drastic changes in humidity, temperature, and salinity in addition to wave action with its accompanying jetsam.

Thursday found us walking along Point Wood Beach towards Dale village, collecting and identifying specimens on the way. This was necessary as the majority of the party were new to this study. The knowledge thus gained was used on the following days to make certain distribution surveys on different types of shore from rocky to muddy, and in both sheltered and exposed positions in relation to the Atlantic surf. In addition, other studies were made of rock-pool inhabitants and the distribution of *Limosa conchilega*, (a tube-worm) in relation to its substrate and salinity in the River Gann estuary.

The weather this year was not up to its normal Welsh standard, being unusually warm and dry, with Tuesday being the only rainy day; in fact the weather, and the exceptional Spring tides encountered, made the week's work as successful as it could have been.

Mr. John Barrett, the Warden, has extended his "no-rules" policy further this year; he believes that strong discipline leads to contempt. The success of

this policy in the co-educational Dale Fort makes one stop to think what intellectual, moral, and social education is irreplaceably missed in a Boys' Grammar School.

We are thankful to Mr. Colombo for arranging this course from which we benefitted academically and physically. It is now possible to look back upon the incidents such as crab-inhabited beds, mislaying (?) of clothing, wet feet, and all others with amusement and satisfaction.

D. R. HOLDFORD.

Lake District, 1960

THE EASTER, 1959, tour was the last of many led by Mr. Purvis, although he is planning to take a party from his new school this Whitsun. There was at the time doubt as to whether the tradition of Lake District Holidays would continue. Fortunately it did, under the able leadership of Mr. Portus, Mr. Hooley and Mr. J. Davies.

So, early on Saturday the 9th of April, a party of energetic youths squeezed into a coach and set off on the 300 mile journey to Keswick in the heart of the English Lakes. We arrived at the County Youth Hostel at 7 p.m. to be greeted by Mac, Mrs. Mac, and a large plate of Mac's special.

Our first day in Keswick was of traditional Lakeland weather—rain, hail and a gale. However, as the week progressed, the weather improved and the last two days were glorious. All the walks intended were attempted, with the exception of Blencathra, the weather conditions then being impossible. On the other walking days we wore ourselves out on: Cat Bells, Maiden Moor, Causey Pike, Grasmere, Grisdale, Wallacraggs, Watendlath, Scafell Pike, Mickeldore and Helvellyn. The resultant destruction of footwear and accumulation of blisters, prevented for the first time ever, an assault on the great Batrigg.

Despite sore feet we managed to hobble into Keswick for an evening's entertainment at the Coffee Bar, Golf Course or Billiard Hall. Competition for the latter was so great that, in order to secure tables, masters invented such tactics as 'spud-bashing' and washing up, unsuccessfully, of course.

We also had visits to Hadrian's Wall, Calder Hall Atomic Power Station, Sumess Abbey and Barrow Dockyards.

We returned, grudgingly, to Slough on Easter Tuesday with an array of spiked sticks and colourful hats and cases of Kendal Mint Cake.

Finally a thank you to Messrs. Portus, Hooley and Davies, our temporary guardians, to Mr. and Mrs. MacCambridge, our hosts, and to the other Mac, our driver.

B.D.

The Geography Field Course, 1960

THIS YEAR'S FIELD COURSE was centred on Juniper Hall—situated along the Mole Gap between Leatherhead and Dorking. The eighteen sixth form geographers arrived at the Field Centre by devious methods—some more devious than others.

In recent years senior geographers have studied areas where one rock outcrop predominates—limestone in the Malham Tarn area and sandstone in the area of Dale Fort. This year we were offered a contrast in that in the area around Juniper—the North West Weald—there are five different rocky outcrops.

It was soon obvious when the Warden outlined the course we were to study that this was to be no holiday. To illustrate this point here is an account of a typical day.

Breakfast was served at 8.30 a.m. and was cleared away by 9.0 a.m. Every day at least two of our party were involved in serving, clearing away and

washing up. Immediately after breakfast packed lunches were collected and boots put on in time to assemble in the Laboratory. Whilst waiting for those doing chores the Warden would give an outline of the day's work. We would set out about 9.15 a.m. In the field brief notes, sketches and sections were taken to help in the evening's write up. We usually returned to the Field Centre in time for tea. After a brief rest we attended a résumé of the day's work and then began our note writing. At about 8.0 p.m. the Warden gave the final day's lecture and cleared up outstanding points. Work usually ended at supper-time which was 9.15 p.m., although someone did mention that he would get up at 6.0 a.m. to finish his notes rather than work till 10.0 p.m.

The first half of the course was carried out in fine weather. On the first day we walked up the chalk dip slope to Box Hill, down the escarpment on to the wide flood plain of the Mole above Dorking. The Mole Gap came under closer attention on Friday when its river terraces were studied. Saturday found us examining the resilient sandstone of Leith Hill, whilst on Sunday we searched for tertiary outliers in the Upper Headley Valley. To consolidate what had been observed of the Weald from Juniper a coach trip across to the South Downs was arranged for Monday. Tuesday's wet weather did not deter many from putting in a hard day's work on land utilization and village surveys.

As can be seen, for such a course to be successful an immense amount of preparation and direction is required from the staff and therefore our sincere thanks must be extended to Mr. Sankey, the Warden, and Mr. Portus for the trouble which they took on our behalf.

G. OLIVER, U.V.I.

Geographical and Historical Society

Chairman: R. M. Monks; *Secretary:* R. A. Stranger; *Treasurer:* A. Richardson; *Committee:* J. Bayford, L. Greenaway.

THE SOCIETY HAS had a comparatively quiet year, but, as in the past, has endeavoured to create interest in geographical and historical matters for the benefit of the boys of the school.

Since last year's report a party of forty members made a very comprehensive and enjoyable tour of the Cotswolds. A film show on Nigeria, Ghana and the Belgian Congo was very well attended. Films on Belgium were also shown. A very interesting talk was given by K. S. Halstead on his experiences in Belgium. Mr. Wymer, our archaeological consultant, visited the society for the fourth time and gave another of his very interesting talks, this time on "The Stone Age Hunters of the Kennett Valley." This talk I am sorry to say was not very well attended.

Our thanks must go to Messrs. Wharmby and Spence who have given freely of their time.

R.A.S.

The Printing Society

THE PRINTING SOCIETY has once again enjoyed a very successful year. The Society has carried out nearly twice as many orders as last year and its members have been kept very busy indeed. These orders have ranged from a couple of hundred letterheads to a few thousand postcards in addition to doing the usual membership cards, business cards and dance tickets.

We have been well supported by other school societies as well as outside clubs and organisations. Our thanks are due to members and former members of the school who procure these orders for us and I should like to take this opportunity of thanking all who have supported the society and so added to its success.

The fulfilment of these orders has been made easier by the purchase during the year of a new press and other equipment. I feel, however, that the main

thanks must go to all the members of the society who meet regularly every Friday evening and on numerous other occasions to carry out the many orders which we receive.

D.C.F. (Sec.).

Student Christian Movement

Sponsor: Mr. McCabe; *Secretary:* W. L. V. Tong; *Treasurer:* N. Collins.

THE STUDENT CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT Group is open to all boys in the School, whatever their denomination and has the object of providing Christian Fellowship and spreading the Christian Truth. Our weekly meetings include a short prayer meeting, an evening discussion and a 'Thursday Meeting,' usually taking the form of an address by an outside speaker. During the lunch-hour, we also hold Study Groups, in which a group of boys, under a leader, studies a passage from Holy Scripture or a relevant topic.

The past year has been one of great success. The membership has risen from seventy to 120 and the number of boys attending each week has doubled. Last year we formed one Study Group and the idea was so successful that we now have eight such groups meeting during the week. To help the study leaders the Group has purchased a cupboard and is amassing a collection of Bibles and useful text-books. However, we still have a need of more Bibles and I should like to take the opportunity of asking anyone who has a number of old copies to contact us. The Group has continued to issue its own magazine entitled *The S.C.M. News Sheet*. During the year we have held a number of meetings with the Langley Grammar School Group and just before Christmas a party from both groups went carol-singing at Upton Hospital. We are planning to hold many more meetings with other groups in the area.

At the beginning of the year, Mr. Church, who had given us invaluable service as Sponsor, left to teach in High Wycombe: we should like once again to express our sincere thanks to him and wish him all God's blessing in his new post. We should like to thank Mr. McCabe, who has taken over the arduous job of Sponsor and also Messrs. Moutrie and J. Davies for their service during the year.

Finally, we should like to ask any boys who are Christians or who are interested in the Christian Faith and have not yet joined the Group, seriously to consider doing so. At the moment, we stand in great danger of taking up a complacent attitude. Our task can never be finished until every boy in the School has either accepted the Christian Faith or is, at least, willing to consider it seriously.

W. L. V. TONG.

Debating Society

Chairman: Mr. Willett; *Secretary:* R. Greenfield; *Treasurer:* D. Smith.

THE DEBATING SOCIETY has enjoyed another successful year. We were sorry to lose Mr. Church last year. His place was taken by Mr. Pearce, who took a very keen interest in the Society. Unfortunately, other heavy commitments forced him to resign, and Mr. Willett took command. His help has been invaluable.

During the Autumn Term there were a series of School Debates on subjects ranging from "Gambling" to "Ghosts." The Spring Term proved no exception in being the most active. For the second year in succession, Herschel won the Inter-House Debating Competition. Also, the Society successfully entered a team in the Public Speaking Competition at Maidenhead High School. The winning team was T. Knight, K. Martin and K. S. H. Halstead. The Society looks

forward to another good year, our annual debate with the High School being next term.

The Society wishes to thank Mr. Willett and Mr. Pearce for all they have done, Dr. Long, Mr. Moutrie and Mr. Portus for their services as adjudicators, and to the committee and members who have supported us.

R. GREENFIELD.

Natural History Society

Chairman: D. R. Holdford; *Secretary:* P. R. Spooner; *Treasurer:* B. A. Roberts.

THERE HAS BEEN an appreciable drop in membership this year; this is perhaps due to the programme catering for the keen naturalist rather than the supporter of film-shows and other forms of less ambitious entertainment.

Throughout the year, the school aquaria have been kept stocked by collecting parties that have gleaned local ponds and streams in search of interesting specimens, with the result that we now have several tanks, each with its own particular collection.

The annual Fungus Foray was held on Sunday, 8th November, at Virginia Water. Unfortunately, thick fog prevented all but three members, together with Mr. and Mrs. Colombo from attending. However, the small amount collected was displayed the following day.

The Annual Conversazione this year surpassed all others. In addition to displays on the theme "Respiration and Nutrition," there were exhibitions of Littoral life, Cacti and other succulents, life under the microprojector, and photographic processing. We are indebted to the Photographic Society for their assistance in producing many fine photomicrographs for the occasion.

The local Badger Set has been under regular, close observation, with the result that a good record of their habits has been compiled. We are interested in locating other local sets so that we may compare them with the now well-known habitat. The study of these animals is not easy, and a night's wait is often unrewarded, especially when an attempt at photography is made. If anyone finds a dead badger, we could make great use of it, and would appreciate a report of its whereabouts.

There is a varied and interesting programme for the Summer term, and it is hoped that with the onset of better weather more members will attend the field meetings.

Our thanks go to all who have given of their time and knowledge, especially Mr. and Mrs. Colombo and local gamekeepers.

D. R. HOLDFORD, *Chairman*.

The Chess Club

Chairman: K. S. H. Halstead; *Secretary:* M. R. Stenning; *Treasurer:* C. J. Marshall.

THIS YEAR HAS been a successful one for the Chess Club, about 50 boys enrolling. Our weekly meetings, in which chess is played and discussed, have been well attended, especially by members of the VI form and lower school. Our thanks are due to Mr. Moutrie for giving so freely of his spare time and energy to our enterprises. His series of talks on the elements and finer points of chess and his comments on the recent World Chess Championship matches were most enlightening and were much appreciated by all. He also accompanied the School chess teams on several occasions and played against them in the first Masters v. School chess match. The result of this memorable match was an inevitable victory for the Masters by 3 games to 1, 2 being drawn.

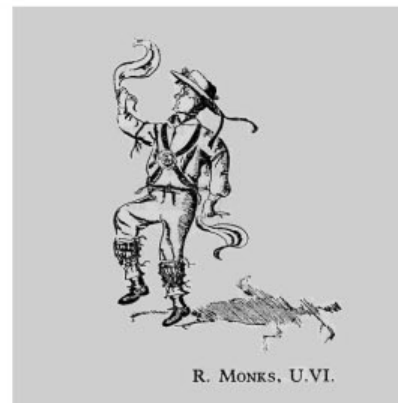
The senior team has had a reasonably successful season in inter-school

matches, winning 4 matches, drawing 1 and losing 3. K. S. H. Halstead and H. W. Froggatt played exceedingly well throughout the season. J. Mearns and M. R. French also played well, M. Stenning and C. Marshall completing the team. A. B. M. Deuchar, W. R. Osborne, T. F. Knight and W. Hardy could be depended upon when their services were required.

The junior team, ably captained by A. Elliston, enjoyed a very successful season, winning 5 matches, drawing 1 and losing 1. D. Warren was the outstanding player of the team, winning all but one of his games and drawing the other. A. Elliston, B. Thorp, R. Kingston, P. Firth and J. Grant, together with R. Pallett, A. Cross and P. Brett, played consistently good chess and were members of the junior team.

We can look forward with great confidence to next season.

M. STENNING.



The Morris Men

Squire: R. M. Monks; *Bagman:* M. J. Billington; *Musician:* C. Timms.

Through the patient guidance of Mr. Doncaster, and with the invaluable assistance of our talented musician, Colin Timms, the Club continues to flourish, learning new dances all the time. The Club now consists almost entirely of 6th formers, who joined from the 3rd form in 1957, and who are still keen and active members.

Present day members of the 3rd form and upwards, who are interested in this healthy recreation, are assured of a warm welcome. In the not too distant future present members will unfortunately leave the school and new members are required in order that this fine English Tradition of dancing does not die out.

Last year's programme included displays at the School Fête, and Garden Parties at Butlers Cross and Hall Place. Also many tours of neighbouring villages were organised and great enjoyment was derived from these outings. One such tour was planned to coincide with that of Whitchurch Morris Men, Mr. Doncaster's own team, and we learned a great deal from these experienced dancers.

To show their appreciation of our efforts the Whitchurch Morris Men invited us to their annual Feast Day at Aylesbury. Unfortunately, only three

of our number could go, but they were treated to an excellent supper in the King's Head Inn.

By the time this magazine is printed we will have taken part in the Festival of English Folk Dancing at Chalfont St. Peter. We hope that this is only the beginning to another active year for the Morris Men.

M.J.B., Bagman.

Music Society

Secretary: Ian D. Stuart; Treasurer: Alan D. Baker; Chairman: Robert Gedge.

IN SPITE OF our small membership, the Society has had a very active year. Concerts of music, chosen and presented by members of the Society have covered an extremely wide range of music. Works by Mozart, Rossini, Verdi, and Beethoven have proved to be the most popular choices, while composers, such as Berlioz and Richard Strauss, have also had a hearing.

Two Musical Quizzes were presented by Ian Stuart and David Pratt, and proved to be quite amusing, although there were arguments as to the easiness of many of the questions.

Music from the Theatre has not been neglected, and in fact, some of our most successful meetings were those which included Show Music.

Our membership, as I have said above, is very small, but it is nevertheless enthusiastic. Still, we would like even more boys—especially those from the lower forms—to join. I. Stuart and A. Baker are willing to see anyone who is interested and enrol them immediately!

I.D.S.

The School Orchestra

THE LAST YEAR has seen considerable changes in the Orchestra. Mr. Wilson left us last summer to take up a new position at Bracknell, and his post here was filled by Mr. J. Moutrie. Mr. Moutrie also took over the School Orchestra with much enthusiasm, and we have made considerable progress under him during his first seven months.

Although Messrs. Hampshire and McCabe play their 'cello and viola at concerts, this is the first year that we have had these instruments at rehearsals. For this we must thank Mr. Attock, who plays the viola, and Miss C. Wells and Miss G. Eason with their 'cellos. Miss Wells, who recently came to the School, teaches the 'cello and Miss Eason is a student at the Royal College of Music.

Owing to our small numbers we are not able to produce any orchestral concerts, but when our type of music is appropriate, we perform at the School play. Last Christmas we played at the Carol Concert, an annual event, and also at the School's closing service. Our most recent public performance was at the French Circle's production of *Le Médecin Malgré Lui* in April.

I would be the first to admit that the standard is not extremely high, but we do enjoy ourselves, and that is, I think, the most important thing.

M. HANSON, U.VI.

The Choral Society

A MUSICAL CONCERT was given last July in which the Choral Society took part. The main work we performed was *Hear My Prayer* by Mendelssohn, in which the solo *O for the Wings of a Dove* was taken, and sung admirably, by D. Fisher. A little later on in the programme was a tenor solo from the *Elijah*, sung by V. Mason, also one from *Judas Maccabeus*, sung by P. Stopp. A group

of fourth form singers completed the evening with an excellent rendering of a Compline.

The next public performance of the Society was at the ever-popular Carol Concert last Christmas. We sung many short items, too numerous to list here, and one large work, Purcell's *Rejoice in the Lord Alway*. Incidentally, this, and several other items, were accompanied most effectively by the School Orchestra.

The most recent concert was given last April. The three works in the programme were: *My Beloved Spake*, by Purcell, followed immediately by Bach's *Bide With Us*, and after an interval, Vivaldi's *Gloria*, which was sung with much vigour and produced a perfect climax to a most enjoyable evening. At this concert we were accompanied by a group of instrumentalists from the Slough Philharmonic Orchestra to whom we are greatly indebted. Although the audience was lamentably small they certainly got their money's-worth and said that they enjoyed the performance to the full.

For all these concerts the choir put in many hours of their own time to practise. These rehearsals are conducted jointly by Messrs. Moutrie (Mr. Wilson's successor) and McCabe, to both of whom we are all most grateful.

At the end of the Easter Term we had a small celebration when large quantities of food and drink were consumed; an enjoyable ending to an enjoyable season.

M. HANSON, U.VI.

The Jazz Club

Chairman: G. Oliver; Secretary: I. J. Lindop; Treasurer: G. A. Ayre; Committee: W. R. Osborne, D. Holdford, E. Hill, G. J. Dalton, A. Alderman, C. Summerhayes.

SINCE OUR LAST report, which lamented the failure of local Jazz Clubs, the situation has changed for the better from the point of view of the local jazz enthusiast. This change has to a great extent been reflected in our own Society.

At the beginning of the year it was decided at a committee meeting to restrict Club activities to the Sixth Form only. This step was taken because many of last year's meetings were spoiled by the thoughtless and rowdy behaviour of the audiences who obviously considered that jazz equals Elvis Presley or Duane Eddy. This restriction proved successful, for although attendances have been by no means large, yet those who came were all true jazz-enthusiasts, comprehending it as the musical form it is.

The jazz enthusiast comes in for much criticism, but the critics are mainly those who know so little about jazz that they are ill-qualified to hold an opinion upon it, let alone criticize the enthusiast for his supposed 'lack of taste.' This is the same type of criticism which belongs to the military gentleman who declares that a little under half of this country's whole electorate should be entered into lunatic asylums. They, too, should sit upon their mountains and meditate . . .

Last term, members of the Jazz Club visited the Gaumont State Theatre in Kilburn to see a performance by the Modern Jazz Quartet. A wide selection of tunes was presented with efficiency and magnificent musicianship by a Jazz Quartet whose subdued, almost drawing-room style, belies the average man's conception of a Jazz Group. But despite its formal appearance, this group of talented musicians really swings, and all who attended the performance were delighted with it.

From one group of talented musicians to another; the School Jazz Group gave a few concerts at lunch-time which were fairly well attended. We hope that there will be future Jazz Groups in the School to carry on from the precedent established by the present one.

I.J.L.

Library Report, 1959-1960

Chief Librarians: P. J. Faulkner, I. D. Stuart, Alan D. Baker; *Assistant Librarians:* B. Attcock, D. Beer, D. Bowley, C. Benton, P. Gardner.

GENERALLY SPEAKING the library has had a fairly successful year. We now have about five thousand, two hundred books which are regularly used by approximately three hundred members. The most notable change in the reading habits of the members has been the increasing tendency to borrow factual books rather than fiction. Biggles has largely been replaced by space research. In fact the trend has been so marked that only a very few new fiction books have been bought in the last year or two.

Three days after the beginning of the Spring Term, we were all deeply shocked to hear of the death of Mr. H. C. Todd, who for many years had been in charge of the Library and had given so much of his time to helping us. Many of his books were given to the Library and helped to make the English Literature section more complete. The Library staff would like to thank Mr. Madge for his help during the rest of the Spring Term.

We are very pleased to learn that the grant for the purchase of library books and materials had been increased. The result of this has been the arrival of many more books, some of which were very expensive.

By the time you read this, the new Senior English Master, Mr. Gibson, will have taken charge of the Library. We extend a cordial welcome to him.

Lastly I would like to thank all the Librarians, without whose help the Library would quickly cease to function.

P.J.F.

Aircraft Recognition Society

Chairman: P. D. Rix; *Secretary:* M. C. Freeman; *Treasurer:* P. G. Marshall

DURING THE PAST school year, the Society has been flourishing well.

Last November, a very successful visit by some thirty members of the Society to Luton Airport was arranged. There we saw the Hunting Aircraft Company's works. At that time the company was producing the Jet Provost, a basic trainer for the R.A.F.

Permission was obtained in March to borrow some half-dozen United States Air Force Films. Two film shows were arranged, and both were highly successful, for the films proved to be very interesting.

It is hoped in the Summer Term to arrange a visit to Hatfield where the de Havilland Aircraft Company have a factory, and also to have another quiz show and an Inter-House Quiz.

Our thanks are due to Mr. Blagrove for giving so freely of his spare time to supervise our meetings.

M.C.F.

The Photographic Society

Chairman: P. Taylor; *Vice-Chairman:* B. Ray; *Secretary:* P. Rix; *Treasurer:* F. Davey.

ALTHOUGH ONE of the newest of School societies the Photographic Society has already established itself as an active organisation. Membership is limited to fifth and sixth form members mainly because of lack of space and equipment. However, in the future we hope to be able to hold demonstrations which members of the Junior School will be able to attend.

At the School Fête last year the Society ran a stall at which a photographic quiz was in progress and we hope to do the same this year.

Since the beginning of the School year Members have been able to develop and print their own films. Also, the Society has taken passport photographs,

FOOTBALL FIRST ELEVEN



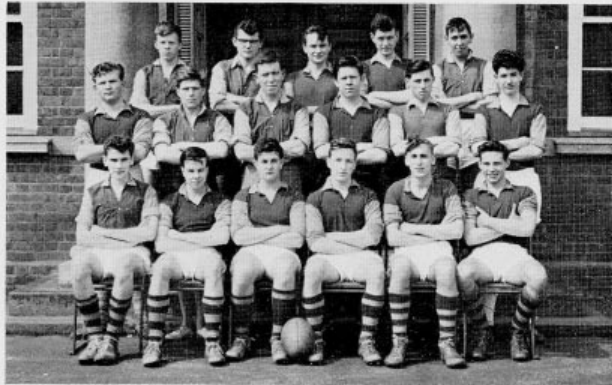
Back Row: P. Read, M. Elquezabel, K. Butler, R. Dearlove, J. Ford, I. Hodgson. Front Row: K. Lane, K. Wallis, M. Holliday (Capt.), R. Stevens, P. Willis.

HOCKEY FIRST ELEVEN



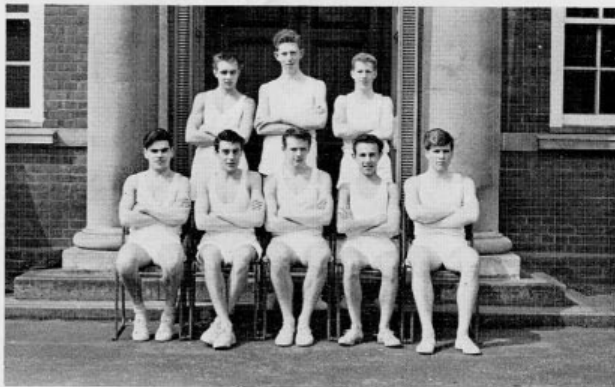
Back row: N. Wakeham, R. Nash, C. Hughes, A. Lucas-Smith, F. Davey, A. Johnson, N. Lovelock. Front row: M. Stenning, C. Tyrie, A. B. Deuchar (Capt.), S. Baxter, D. Thomas.

THE RUGBY CLUB



Back row: K. Halstead, I. Lindop, C. Evans, D. Spring, J. Field. Middle row: G. Oliver, C. Doyle, G. Ayre, D. Hole, F. Davey, A. Smyth. Front row: M. Stokes, P. Spooner, R. Davis, G. A. Oliver, D. Smith, T. Knight.

CROSS COUNTRY FIRST TEAM



Back row: R. Hill, M. Duff, K. Wallis. Front row: E. Clements, C. Halsey, C. Summerhayes (Capt.), L. Greenaway, G. Doyle.

photographs of the School Play, sixth form dances and various team photographs. At the annual conversation of the Natural History Society the Society gave demonstrations and exhibited photographs. Other activities of the Society include the purchasing of film in bulk and making it available to members well below the usual price.

We are very grateful to Mr. Colombo and Mrs. Taylor for putting up with us and our lack of light. We are also very grateful to Mr. Mills for giving us technical advice and loaning us equipment, the latter especially in our earlier days. We also owe our gratitude to the School Fund for providing the capital to enable us to get much of our expensive equipment.

P.R.

The Scientific Society

Chairman: K. A. Martin; Secretary: A. M. Johnson; Treasurer: D. C. Freeth.

THE SOCIETY HAS had a very successful year so far. We have watched films on almost every conceivable subject, toured the Kodak factory at Harrow, visited the High School, the High School has visited us and one or two of our members have been present at meetings of the Slough Astronomical Society. The High School's visit to us produced our biggest attendance; well over the hundred mark. We invited them to send a team to answer selected questions in competition with a team from our Society. This quiz was conducted on similar lines to the radio programme *Top of the Form*, half of the questions posed being of a scientific nature and the rest on general knowledge. Our team consisting of K. S. H. Halstead, P. D. Grimwood and M. C. Kolaszynski won by thirty-three marks to thirty-one, Grimwood showing himself to be exceptionally well informed on scientific matters.

Of all the films exhibited the most impressive was one in colour dealing with the manufacture of Steel. When it finished, all eyes were aching from the constant glare of flames, sparks and molten metal. The tour of the Harrow factory of Kodak Ltd., was most interesting and the organisation of it by the firm, highly efficient. We were most impressed by the fact that the checking of all printing papers was done by the human eye in semi-darkness but we were assured that this did not cause eye-strain.

Finally, a word of thanks to two people. Mr. Robinson, the member of staff who looks after us, has taken a very helpful and active interest in the Society. Johnson, our secretary, has to do far more work in connection with the Society than anybody else and tasks for which he is responsible are always carried out promptly and efficiently.

K.A.M.



House Notes

Gray House

Senior House-Master:

Mr. K. F. Colombo

House Officials:

House Captain: C. R. Tyrie
Vice-Captain: R. M. Monks
Games Captain: R. Dearlove
Athletics Captain: R. Stevens
House Secretary: D. R. Holdford

House Prefects:

S. Baxter, N. Lovelock, P. Marshall,
A. Oliver, R. Stevens

The house system has shown added success this year after having got over the "teething-stage." Inter-house rivalry has been most pronounced, especially in games and athletics, the results of which, from our point of view, have been mixed.

Perhaps too much attention is given to athletic matters in evaluating the status of a house. On the academic side, we had three noteworthy achievements resulting from the last "A" & "S" level examinations. Andy Hudson obtained an Open Award to Downing College, Cambridge, to read Natural Science, Alan Cordery and Norman Page were State Scholars, now studying Civil Engineering at King's College, London, and Veterinary Science at Bristol, respectively. To these and all other leavers, we extend our gratitude and good wishes.

"World Refugee Year" is a commonly used phrase this year. Of the School's contribution of over one hundred pounds, Gray House is proud to have raised over half.

We are now working hard for Sports Day. As the School now realises, the winning House is often the one that gains the most Standard Points before Sports Day. With the Inter-House Trophy in view, we are now doing our utmost to encourage all members of the House to obtain standards. In this, and other respects, an excellent House-spirit is developing.

D.R.H.

Hampden House

Senior House-Master:

Mr. R. Vivash

House Officials:

Captain: T. F. Knight
Vice-Captain: F. Davey
Secretary: W. Hardy
Games Captain: K. Butler
Athletics Captain: M. Head

House Prefects:

R. Ashley, W. Tong, R. Stanger, R. Rix, A. Richardson,
J. Page, D. Thomas, R. Burrell, K. Robey, C. Lewis.

We are happy to announce that the House has now regained its former athletic standard. Last year we won the Old Paludians House Shield, and it is perhaps a tribute to the house spirit, that it was won by all members of the house. There were sufficient standard points gained to give us a substantial lead at the beginning of Sports Day. This year we justified our reputation in inter-house sports. We won the inter-house football and cross-country running, and did very well in hockey.

It is with great sorrow that we record the death of Mr. Todd, our senior housemaster. For many years, particularly the last year, under the new house system, he provided a constant source of guidance and encouragement.

Last year, A. West and C. Davenport (House Captain and Vice-Captain) left us, and we all miss them for they contributed a large part of the enthusiasm required for our sporting activities. They are both in Universities and we wish them every success for the future.

Finally, we should like to thank our housemasters for devoting their time and energies to all activities in which the house participates.

W.H. (Secretary).

Herschel House

Senior House-Master:

Mr. J. Wharmby

House Officials:

House Captain: K. S. H. Halstead
Vice-Captain: K. A. Martin
Games Captain: G. Oliver
Athletics Captain: A. Alderman

House Prefects:

B. Roberts, M. Hanson, A. de Burton,
R. Whitaker, D. Freeth, G. Dalton

The culmination of every year of House Sport is, of course, Sports Day itself. Last year, due to organisational and climatic difficulties encountered in the gaining of standard points, Herschel House found itself many points behind the leaders before the day began. After the last event, however, we were only three points behind the winners. This wonderful effort needs no comment.

And so the School year ended, and we lost many fine members, including B. G. Odell, now at Cambridge, and Alan Henry, who has gone to Loughborough. Although injury prevented Henry from taking his usual place in the Sports, he was always a great help and inspiration to the rest of the House.

This year, a very great attempt has been made to make a "social unit" of the House. This task is beset with difficulties, not the least of which is the short time during which we are together. Nevertheless, it has been successful to a very fair degree. The sixth form outing at Christmas, for example, was enjoyed by a very large party. Having watched "The Spurs" and sampled Soho's Chinese food, we went into the East End and saw *Make Me an Offer* at the Theatre Royal, Stratford.

The House Concert was also enthusiastically greeted, by the performers at least. The aspect of our community which shows most fervour is, however, debating. Violent debates are to be heard at all times in all groups, and, naturally, we won the Inter-House Debating Competition again this year.

When talking about House events, it is impossible to exclude sport for any long period. The Winter Season saw competitions in Hockey, Football and Cross-Country Running, in all of which we acquitted ourselves well, while establishing a very high standard of sportsmanship. And so the athletics season

has come round again. At this very moment young Herschel men are busily gaining standard points, and we have very high hopes of regaining the trophy.

Finally, we must thank Gordon Oliver and Keith Martin for all the work they have done in arranging sports and in doing clerical work, as well as Tony Alderman, our Athletics Captain. Also the most important "thank you" goes to all our House Masters, without whom we would have achieved nothing.

KEITH HALSTEAD.

Milton House

Senior House-Master:

Mr. Wall

House Officials:

House Captain: A. B. M. Deuchar

Vice-Captain: F. M. Holliday

Secretary: R. J. Willatts

Football Captain: F. M. Holliday

Cricket Captain: A. B. M. Deuchar

Athletics Captain: C. P. Summerhayes

House Prefects:

R. Chaplin, I. Clark, R. Fahey,

E. Hill, A. Parsons.

The academic and athletic achievements of Miltonians have been duly recorded elsewhere in this most estimable journal.

Our scholastic results were good, if not outstanding; County Awards and Distinctions being obtained. In Sport, individuals have brought great honour to the School as a whole. In general, the spirit of the house is healthy; particularly meritorious were the efforts on behalf of the Refugee Fund—they were notable for their enthusiasm, ingenuity and whole-heartedness. The novelty of the Eisteddfod we sponsored made appeal and provided opportunities for very varied activities and expression; whilst Refugee pencils found ready and generous buyers.

In games, generally, we have played a great part. In House Competitions our main strength has lain with the Seniors—there remain weaknesses to be remedied in the Middle and Lower School. Only persistent corporate efforts by the Juniors will ensure the maintenance of our prestige when the present Seniors leave this year—and we are proud of the Milton tradition of being often winners and always good losers.

The House is part of the School and our efforts are directed to the 'Greater Glory.' We have provided in Deuchar, the School Vice-Captain, the 1st XI Hockey Captain, as well as member of the County XI. F. M. Holliday merits further mention for his athletic prowess. Captain of the successful School Football XI, and also of the Cricket XI, he triumphed in the High and Triple Jumps at the County Sports and went on to win the Triple Jump at the All-England Meeting. L. Greenaway was chosen to run for the County in the All-England Cross-Country Schools' Championships. Our Seniors have indeed kept the School and House flags flying high.

In the Inter-House Football Competition we were second and in the Annual Sports only third. Since the Junior performers could not match the excellent Senior results—the latter (eight of the twelve events won) brought us the Class 1 Cup. Nevertheless, there is talent among the younger boys and we have provided our fair quota for School Junior Teams.

All in all a year of real achievement and fair promise. The tone of our members is cheerful and it has been satisfying to see so many boys playing their parts in so many variegated activities—*Ad Astra!*

Inter-House Competitions

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING

1st	Hampden	1315
2nd	Herschel	1426
3rd	Gray	1496
4th	Milton	1622

FOOTBALL

1st	Hampden	23 pts.
2nd	Milton	20 pts.
3rd	Gray	15 pts.
4th	Herschel	14 pts.

HOCKEY

Results:- Hampden 1, Gray 1; Milton 2, Herschel 5; Hampden 4, Herschel 1; Hampden 2, Milton 0.

Games and Athletics

Athletics 1959

THE PAST YEAR has been most successful for the athletes of the School. Six new records were established on Sports Day, cups for Classes IV and V were gained at the District Sports and the School was well represented at the County Sports. Eight members of the School were selected to compete for Buckinghamshire in the All-England Sports at Northwich, Cheshire.

The weather was again kind on Sports Day, which was held in June, and we were honoured by the presence of the Lady Mayor of Slough, who graciously presented the trophies and certificates.

(G—Gray; Ha—Hampden; He—Herschel; M—Milton).

Class III.

100 Yards [Record (1948): 11.9 secs.] 1st, I. Taylor (He); 2nd, B. Harden (He); 3rd, A. Singleton (M); 4th, N. Bathurst (Ha). Time 12.2 secs.

220 Yards [Record (1949): 27.5 secs.] 1st, I. Taylor (He); 2nd, B. Harden (He); 3rd, G. Hester (Ha); 4th, M. Rouse (G). Time 28.2 secs.

Hurdles [Record (1957): 11.3 secs.] 1st, D. Coe (M); 2nd, P. Griffith (He); 3rd, N. Bathurst (Ha); 4th R. Breen (G). Time 11.7 secs.

Long Jump [Record (1948): 15ft. 8½ins.] 1st, C. Bass (M); 2nd, D. Edmunds (Ha); 3rd, D. Hilling (G); 4th, P. Griffiths (He). Distance: 13ft. 3ins.

High Jump [Record (1951), (1956): 4ft. 5ins.] 1st, P. Griffiths (He); 2nd, D. Coe (M); 3rd, T. Butterly (He); 4th, R. Doncaster (G). Height: (New Record) 4ft. 9ins.

Hop, Step and Jump [Record (1956): 31ft. 3½ins.] 1st, C. Bass (M); 2nd, K. Robertson (He); 3rd, A. Johnson (He); 4th, D. Edmunds (Ha). Distance: 30ft. 0½ins.

Discus [New Event] 1st, I. Taylor (He); 2nd, D. Edmunds (He); 3rd, P. Griffiths (He); 4th, H. Smith (G). Distance: 96ft. 4ins.

Putting the Shot [Record (1951): 44ft. 2ins.] 1st, I. Taylor (He); 2nd, C. Bass (M); 3rd, K. Robertson (He); 4th, J. Roberts (G). Distance (New Record) 46ft. 9ins.

Javelin [New Event] 1st, I. Taylor (He); 2nd, A. Phillips (Ha); 3rd, D. Roberts (G); 4th, P. Manning (M). Distance: 136ft. 1in.

Relay [Record (1957): 55.9 secs.] 1st, Herschel; 2nd, Milton; 3rd, Gray; 4th, Hampden. Time: 56.0 secs.

Winning Team: B. Harden, I. Taylor, K. Robertson, P. Griffiths.

Class II.

100 Yards [Record (1958): 11 secs.] 1st, G. Riglar (G); 2nd, R. Turner (M); 3rd, R. Flower (Ha); 4th, T. Phillips (Ha). Time: 11.7 secs.

220 Yards [Record (1957): 24.6 secs.] 1st, G. Riglar (G); 2nd, R. Turner (M); 3rd, R. Flower (Ha); 4th, P. Hinchcliffe (G). Time: 26.4 secs.

440 Yards [Record (1957): 57.0 secs.] 1st, R. Flower (Ha); 2nd, P. Hinchcliffe (G); 3rd, C. Ramsdale (Ha); 4th, G. Thomas (He). Time: 59.7 secs.

880 Yards [Record (1956): 2 mins. 16.9 secs.] 1st, R. Flower (Ha); 2nd, P. Hinchcliffe (G); 3rd, C. Ramsdale (Ha); 4th, J. Gray (G). Time: 2mins. 19.5 secs.

Hurdles [Record (1958): 11.8 secs.] 1st, P. Hinchcliffe (G); 2nd, R. Turner (M); 3rd, E. Foster (Ha); 4th, ———. Time: 12.3 secs.

Long Jump [Record (1949): 17ft. 10½ins.] 1st, J. LePage (He); 2nd, B. Greenland (M); 3rd, A. Smythe (Ha); 4th, R. Dandridge (G). Distance: 15ft. 11ins.

Pole Vault [New Event] 1st, C. Carritt (M); 2nd, G. Colman (He); 3rd, B. Kelley (G). Height: 7ft. 0in.

High Jump [Record (1958): 5ft. 1½ins.] 1st, S. LePage (He); 2nd, C. Carritt (M); 3rd, D. Rothero (M); 4th, G. Thomas (He). Height: 4ft. 11ins.

Hop, Step and Jump [Record (1957): 35ft. 8ins.] 1st, J. LePage (He). Distance: 34ft. 11ins.

Javelin [Record (1955): 130 ft. 8ins.] 1st, M. Lewis (M); 2nd, J. Stacey (Ha); 3rd, M. Holden (Ha); 4th, M. Jones (He). Distance: 105ft. 10ins.

Discus [Record (1958): 122ft. 11ins.] 1st, R. Cobbett (Ha); 2nd, A. Smythe (Ha); 3rd, D. Perkins (He); 4th, M. Lewis (M). Distance: 111ft. 3½ins.

Putting the Shot [Record (1958): 44ft. 4ins.] 1st, R. Cobbett (Ha); 2nd, G. Thomas (He); 3rd, J. Stacey (Ha); 4th, J. Spencer (G). Distance: 33ft. 3ins.

Relay [Record (1957): 50.05 secs.] 1st, Gray; 2nd, Hampden; 3rd, Herschel; 4th, Milton. Time: 51.8 secs.

Winning Team: Hinchcliffe, Riglar, J. Virgo, P. Virgo.

Class I.

100 Yards [Record (1951), (1958): 10.6 secs.] 1st, A. Alderman (He); 2nd, J. Pyewell (G); 3rd, A. Gibson (Ha); 4th, K. Lane (He). Time: 11.15 secs.

220 Yards [Record (1958): 23.5 secs.] 1st, J. Pyewell (G); 2nd, A. Alderman (He); 3rd, M. Holliday (M); 4th, K. Lane (He). Time: 24.7 secs.

440 Yards [Record (1958): 52.8 secs.] 1st, M. Holliday (M); 2nd, K. Lane (He); 3rd, C. Summerhayes (M); 4th, A. Alderman (He). Time: 54.1 secs.

880 Yards [Record (1957): 2 mins. 2.8 secs.] 1st, C. Summerhayes (M); 2nd, M. Elquezabel (Ha); 3rd, C. Doyle (Ha); 4th, M. Duff (G). Time: 2 mins. 10.3 secs.

Mile [Record (1958): 4 mins. 44 secs.] 1st, C. Summerhayes (M); 2nd, M. Duff (G); 3rd, R. Hill (Ha); 4th, M. Dean (Ha). Time 4 mins. 55.4 secs.

Hurdles [Record (1958): 15.0 secs.] 1st, J. Pyewell (G); 2nd, B. Deuchar (M); 3rd, I. Hodgson (He); 4th, R. Hill (Ha). Time (Equals Record): 15.0 secs.

Long Jump [Record (1944): 20ft. 10ins.] 1st, M. Holliday (M); 2nd, J. Pyewell (G); 3rd, A. Gibson (Ha); 4th, B. Deuchar (M). Distance: 19ft. 2ins.

High Jump [Record (1958): 5ft. 6½ins.] 1st, M. Holliday (M); 2nd, K. Lane (He); 3rd, (equals) R. Stevens (G); J. Field (Ha). Height: (New Record) 5ft. 8ins.

Pole Vault [Record (1958): 8ft. 9ins.] 1st, J. Field (Ha); 2nd, R. Stevens (G); 3rd, M. Holliday (M); 4th, J. Pyewell (G). Height: 8ft. 7ins.

Hop, Step and Jump [Record (1958): 39ft. 3½ins.] 1st, M. Johnsan (He); 2nd, J. Jebson (M); 3rd, K. Lane (He); 4th, B. Deuchar (M); Distance: (New Record) 39ft. 10ins.

Javelin [Record (1951): 153ft. 3½ins.] 1st, M. Holliday (M); 2nd, C. Makepeace (M); 3rd, J. Pyewell (G); 4th, R. Giles (G). Distance: (New Record) 181ft. 10ins.

Discus [Record (1956): 133ft.] 1st, I. Clark (M); 2nd, A. Henry (He); 3rd, P. Read (He); 4th, R. Evans (M). Distance: 104ft. 7½ins.

Putting the Shot [Record (1956): 45ft. 1in.] 1st, A. Gibson (Ha); 2nd, P. Read (He); 3rd, M. Stokes (Ha); 4th, K. Lane (He). Distance: 37ft. 5ins.

Relay [Record (1958): 47.95 secs.] 1st, Herschel; 2nd, Hampden; 3rd, Milton; 4th, Gray. Time 48.5 secs.

Winning Team: Alderman, Lane, Hodgson, Read.

Open Mile Handicap: 1st, R. Flower; 2nd, M. Duff; 3rd, M. Rouse; 4th, R. Barrett.

Winning Houses: Class III, Herschel; Class II, Hampden; Class I, Milton.

House Championship: 1st, Hampden, 246½ pts.; 2nd, Herschel, 243 pts.; 3rd, Milton, 233 pts.; 4th, Gray, 187½ pts.

DISTRICT SPORTS.

Group IV.

R. Flower: 1st, 440 yds. and 880 yds. (Relay Team).

C. Riglar: 2nd, 100 yds. (Relay Team).

R. Turner: 1st, Hurdles (Relay Team).

S. Le Page: 1st, High Jump.

C. Ramsdale: 3rd, 880 yds. and member of relay team.

Group V (15-17 years).

A. Alderman: 1st, 100 yds. and 220 yds. (New Record).

C. Doyle: 1st, 880 yds.

I. Hodgson: 2nd, Hurdles.

R. Stevens: 1st, Hurdles.

M. Head: 1st, High Jump.

K. Lane: 1st, 440 yds.; 2nd, 220 yds.

J. Field: 1st, Pole Vault.

M. Duff: 2nd, Mile.

COUNTY SPORTS.

Juniors.

C. Riglar: 2nd, 100 yds.

R. Flower: 1st, 440 yds.

Intermediates.

R. Stevens: 1st, Hurdles.

A. Alderman: 2nd, 220 yds.; 3rd, 100 yds.

K. Lane: 1st, 440 yds.

M. Head: 1st, High Jump.

M. Elquezabel: 3rd, 880 yds.

J. Field: 2nd, Pole Vault.

Seniors.

M. Holliday: 1st, High Jump and Hop, Step and Jump (New Records).

M. Johnson: 2nd, Hop, Step and Jump.

B. Deuchar: 1st, 220 yds. Hurdles.

ALL-ENGLAND SPORTS.

The following boys were picked to represent the County:-

Seniors.

M. Holliday (Gained 1st place in the Hop, Step and Jump and achieved standard distance).

B. Deuchar (220 yds. Hurdles).

Intermediates.

R. Stevens (110 yds. Hurdles).

A. Alderman (100 yds. and Relay).

K. Lane (440 yds.).

M. Head (High Jump).

Juniors.

R. Flower (440 yds.).

C. Riglar (100 yds. and Relay).

Cricket, 1959**FIRST XI.**

A GLORIOUS SUMMER was celebrated with some most enjoyable cricket and we can reflect with considerable pleasure on a very successful season.

The strength of the eleven was in its batting. As might be expected in such a dry season, wickets favoured the bat and apart from a few inexplicable collapses high scores were not uncommon. The fielding was always good and often very, very good but the bowling generally lacked penetration with the result that the advantage won by our batsmen was sometimes not consolidated and matches which we might reasonably have won were lost or drawn.

J. Barker gained in experience as the season progressed and captained the



side both on and off the field with enthusiastic success. His own contributions may not look outstanding on paper but he many times played a useful captain's innings in a crisis and was very consistent. Behind the stumps he was very sound and took several splendid catches.

A. Watson, as vice-captain, was very keen and a valuable all-rounder. He made several good scores, took many valuable wickets and always fielded brilliantly.

C. Makepeace, still one of the younger members of the team, was the outstanding performer. In spite of a poor start with the bat his confidence was unaffected and when he ran into form he finished the season in a blaze of glory with a run of high scores. He also bowled his swingers thoughtfully, returning several impressive analyses and always fielded anywhere most competently.

M. Holliday's batting improved considerably and he played some very effective and valuable innings while his fielding in the deep was most efficient.

R. Dearlove also showed marked improvement in his stroke play and contributed a few dazzling knocks while K. Butler was a model of correctness, defended well and played some invaluable innings as well as being a very capable deputy wicket-keeper or first rate slip fielder.

Of the younger element R. Davis and D. Jordan did not have many opportunities in a strong batting side but both revealed a good temperament and sound technique which promises well for their future. F. Read also looks a good prospect with the bat and ball but A. Gibson, apart from his fielding, was somewhat disappointing.

Among the bowlers, J. Jebson was the outstanding success. With serious application he thoroughly enjoyed his cricket and several times his fast medium deliveries virtually carried the attack. J. Pyewell had his moments of success but was inclined to be erratic while later in the season K. Wallis proved to be an undoubted find and should be a big asset in the coming season.

T. Knight captained the second eleven very ably and often gave very enthusiastic support with the bat and in the field when required by the first team.

RESULTS.

v. Slough Technical School (home). Won by 6 wks. 120 for 4—119 (Watson 70 not out, Barker 24).

v. Ranelagh (away). Won by 14 runs. 110 for 5 dec.—96 (Watson 48, Holliday 40 not out, Makepeace 6 for 27).

v. Amersham (away). Won by 79 runs. 89 for 4 dec.—10 (Holliday 34 not out, Barker 27, Makepeace 4 for 6, Pyewell 6 for 2).

v. Ashford (away). Lost by 6 wks. 64—65 for 4 (Holliday 21).

v. Maidenhead (away). Won by 87 runs. 109 for 9 dec.—22 (Makepeace 4 for 16, Jebson 3 for 4).

v. Sir Wm. Borlase School (away). Lost by 62 runs. 61—123 for 5 dec.

v. R.A.F. Medmenham (home). Won by 8 wks. 58 for 2—57 (Jebson 5 for 16, Butler 34 not out).

v. Slough Technical School (away). Won by 60 runs. 118 for 3—58 (Makepeace 76, Watson 7 for 25).

v. Ranelagh (home). Won by 71 runs. 114 for 5—43 (Dearlove 42 not out, Butler 29, Jebson 6 for 24).

v. Shoreditch Training College (home). Lost by 6 wks. 141 for 6 dec.—146 for 4 (Dearlove 45 not out, Butler 28).

v. Old Paludians (away). Lost by 125 runs. 56—181 for 7 dec.

v. Maidenhead (home). Lost by 67 runs. 107—40.

- v. R.A.F. Medmenham (home). Draw. 121 for 7 dec.—107 for 7 (Makepeace 53 not out, Jebson 6 for 27).
- v. Bishopshalt (home). Draw. 98—63 for 7 (Barker 37, Waston 26, Jebson 4 for 16).
- v. Strode's, Egham (away). Lost by 20 runs. 40—60. (Wallis 6 for 10).
- v. Old Paludians (home). Won by 7 runs. 98—91 (Dearlove 24, Jebson 8 for 24).
- v. Rainbow C.C. (home). Draw. 177—116 for 5 (Makepeace 36, Jordan 32, Watson 26).
- v. Bishopshalt (home). Draw. 107 for 9—112 (Makepeace 43, Watson 4 for 11).
- v. Windsor (home). Won by 54 runs. 132 for 7 dec.—78 (Makepeace 69, Watson 4 for 13).
- v. Parents (home). Won by 19 runs. 90—71 (Davis 32, Wallis 7 for 28).
- v. Staff (home). Won by 56 runs. 156 for 4 dec.—100 (Makepeace 39, Barker 33, Holliday 33 not out, Dearlove 33 not out, Mr. Gibbs 47, Makepeace 4 for 18, Wallis 4 for 15).
- Played 21, Won 11, Lost 6, Drawn 4.

Tennis 1959

THE SCHOOL SIX had a moderately successful year, winning two and losing two of the four matches played. One of the difficulties with which we have had to cope is the lack of school courts. However, this year we are extending our rather short fixture list.

A. Henry (Capt.) and B. Deuchar were the outstanding doubles pair, not losing a set throughout the season. Others who supported them with varying degrees of success were C. Evans, K. Wallace, K. Martin, K. Halstead and R. Stanger.

Keen interest is always shown by several members of staff, and it is most pleasing to note that tennis and coaching have been introduced into the Junior School.

A. B. M. DEUCHAR.

Football, 1959-60

FIRST XI.

FIVE PLAYERS, RELATIVELY inexperienced in senior school football, were introduced into the team this season. They quickly adapted themselves to the 1st XI game, so much so that the team has had the most successful season for many years, having lost only 2 matches.

The team played good, clean, constructive football, especially distinguished by the excellent close passing of the forwards and the intelligent covering of the full backs. The only real weakness of the team was the lack of finish in front of goal, and had this not been so the results would all have been in the school's favour.

The main matches this season were against new opponents. For the first match of the season the team visited Bradfield College, which has 3 boys playing for the English Public Schools' XI. The school had most of the play in this match but Bradfield's forwards had the more effective shooting power in front of goal and the school was narrowly defeated. The second main fixture was against Corinthian Casuals Grammar Schools XI and the school completely outplayed a much heavier set of opponents to gain the finest victory of the season.

The team usually comprised the following boys:-

K. Butler (Goalkeeper). A steady, reliable player who gained confidence as the season progressed. Awarded full colours.

I. Hodgson (Full Back). A sure footed, hard tackling player who liked to follow up the forward line. Awarded half colours.

J. Ford (Full Back). An outstanding full back with perfect anticipation and excellent distribution of the ball. Selected for County Grammar Schools' team. Awarded full colours.

M. Elquezabel (Right Half Back). A tenacious player with very good ball control and distribution. Awarded full colours.

M. Holliday (Centre Half). Always dominating play in the middle he could skilfully turn defence into attack. Deserves the highest honours for very efficiently shouldering the numerous duties undertaken by a captain both on and off the field. Re-awarded full colours, captained the County Grammar Schools' XI and the Selected Teams at F.A. Schools' Week, Oxford.

P. Read (Left Half Back). Despite an injury early in the season he came back and played strong, thoughtful football. Awarded full colours.

K. Lane (Outside Right). A very fast player with a strong shot in both feet. Improved as season progressed.

K. Wallis (Inside Right). A tireless player whose game will improve when he plays directly towards goal instead of across the field. Has great potential. Selected for County Grammar Schools' team. Awarded full colours.

R. Dearlove (Centre Forward). A natural ball player who completed a second successful season in the 1st XI. Selected for County Grammar Schools' team. Awarded full colours.

R. Stevens (Inside Left). A clever, fast moving forward quick to seize any opportunities. Selected for County Grammar Schools' team. Awarded full colours.

P. Willis (Outside Left). Youngest member of the team with excellent ball control and although outweighed he never ceased to try for the ball.

Results:- Played 22, Won 19, Lost 2, Drawn 1.

- v. Bishopshalt (away), 0-4 (Dowding 2, Wallis, Davis).
- v. Bradfield College (away), 3-2 (Dowding, Stevens 2).
- v. Slough Technical (away), 0-3 (Stevens, Wallis).
- v. Wycombe Technical (away), 0-4 (Dearlove, Stevens, Greenaway, Wallis).
- v. Strode's School (away), 1-4 (Dearlove 2, Dowding).
- v. Amersham (away), 3-1 (Wallis).
- v. Reading University (home), 2-0 (Dowding, Elquezabel).
- v. Bishopshalt (away), 1-2 (Stevens, Dearlove).
- v. Mary Hare School (home), 4-0 (Wallis 2, Dearlove, Dowding).
- v. Amersham (home), 3-1 (Willis, Wallis, Dearlove).
- v. Strode's School (home), 1-0 (Lane).
- v. Mary Hare School (away), 2-9 (Wallis 6, Dearlove 2, Read).
- v. Reading University (away), 1-2 (Wallis, Dearlove).
- v. Winchester (away), 0-6 (Stevens 2, Dearlove 2, Read, Elquezabel).
- v. Slough Technical (home), 4-2 (Lane, Stevens 2).
- v. Corinthian Casuals (home), 5-1 (Stevens, Wallis, Dearlove 3).
- v. Bristol University (home), 0-0.
- v. Ashmead (home), 3-1 (Read 2, Wallis).
- v. Stoneham (away), 2-3 (Wallis 2, Dearlove).
- v. Winchester (home), 2-1 (Dearlove, Dowding).
- v. Wycombe Technical (home), 4-0 (Wallis, Dearlove 2, Stevens).
- v. Bishopshalt (home), 4-2 (Dearlove, Stevens, Wallis).

SECOND XI.

Twenty-five points out of a possible thirty, and an average result of a win by four goals to one, point to the fact that the team had a successful season's football. Out of the fifteen games that they played, eleven were won, three drawn and one lost—this being against the first team from Amersham.

The defence played well, although by no means was it infallible. The system of diagonal covering continued in use, and the centre and full backs responded excellently with the sound positional play which it required. H. Duffy, playing at right-back, was very sound, with a good tackle coupled with thoughtful distribution. B. Antill began the season at centre-back and played very well indeed in his first season, but a decision later in the fixture list to move him to right-half brought with it even better results, for he made himself felt both in defence and attack, working hard and skilfully all the time. Into the vacant centre-back position stepped a very capable player, A. Smyth. Although he found things a little strange at first, he settled down quickly and with able ball-control, positioning and distribution, played a sound game. R. Ashley was the team's left-back at the beginning of the season but he was not blessed with fleetness of foot to match his other ability and in consequence had some nightmarish games against fast wingers. The decision to drop him brought R. Sherlock into the team, with more vigorous tackling and speedier recovery. The team was lucky to have the services of T. Yeomanson in goal. Having a 'keeper of such obvious ability and reliability guarding the goal played not a small role in breeding the confidence in the remaining members which led to victories.

The half-backs were a determined bunch, too. D. Curry, without a lot of skill, was always sure of his place because he fought hard, recovering his mistakes. It was his kind of spirit which made victory satisfying. E. Hill had some good games but his slowness can be painfully exploited by fast forwards, although his positioning reduces the handicap considerably. C. Doyle and R. Giles played somewhat effective games at half-back while B. Carter would have regained his place had he shown more spirit and put more into his games. The fact that these three could not find a regular place in the team shows the high standard of football that the team produced.

The forward line played quite well although chances that should have been taken were missed. Even so, an average of four goals per match does reflect a good deal of talent and spirit. Left-winger R. Davis was extremely good; speed is not his greatest virtue but with his skill he could do without it. His high, floating centres or square ground-passes were an effective means to an end. E. Foster tended to be a little selfish, holding on to the ball a little too long. He was the top goal-scorer and deservedly so, for he worked ceaselessly to provide his own openings and those for others and scored goals from half-chances. L. Greenaway deserves as much praise—he worked harder than anyone else in the team, which is some praise, and this, coupled with his natural talent as a ball-player made him invaluable. In between these two inside-forwards R. Dowding also played determined football, making up for a lack of the finer skills.

To this must be added the keen effort and drive put in by their captain T. Knight who, at the possible sacrifice of a place with the 1st XI worked tirelessly both on and off the field.

Success with a team like this was not unexpected, but as is obvious from the reports above not all of the success was due to superior skill. The enthusiasm, and obvious enjoyment that everyone got from playing together ensured a higher standard of play all round and at times was the reason why the team triumphed over an equally-skilful side.

UNDER 15 "A" XI.

The Under 15 "A" XI did not have a very successful season, winning only two of their ten league fixtures. They did, however, reach the semi-final of the Rebel Shield Competition. The team also played seven friendly fixtures,

including a new fixture with Peter Symond's School, Winchester. Two of these matches were won and one drawn.

The great weakness of the team was its inability to score goals despite constructive approach play, and only two boys, R. Holmes (11), and B. Kelly (14), managed to reach double figures.

The failure of the attack in this most important aspect threw a great burden on the defence in which the captain, R. Hannigan, proved to be a tower of strength at left-back. At left-half R. Turner could be relied on to blot his opponent out of the game. M. Lumb proved to be a goalkeeper of great promise, and when he adds a few inches to his height should do very well.

Twenty three boys played for the team during the season, the regular members being:-

R. Hannigan (20); B. Kelley (20); G. Bull (18); R. Johnson (18); M. Jones (17); R. Turner (17); J. Marks (17); R. Holmes (16); M. Lewis (15); M. Lumb (13); C. Timms (13); D. Fox (7).

R. Turner represented the District in the Under 15 team, and M. Lumb, D. Fox and M. Holder in the Under 14 team.

Finally, thanks to R. Davies and R. Lang for acting as linesmen.

UNDER 15 "B" XI.

The team had a fairly good season until the last few matches. By losing these they lost their chance of winning the League. The most encouraging fact is that the team as a whole attempted to play football all the time, regardless of the state of the match.

At the beginning of the season the weakness of the side was definitely in the forward line and matches were won by the strength of the defence. However, with the promotion of N. Fox to the "A" side and the arrival of M. Holloway, the position was reversed. The defence missed the presence of K. Robertson, who was prevented by injury from playing for most of the season. R. Flower, the captain, never really lived up to the promise of the previous season. The most consistent players were B. Thorpe, D. Warren and J. Trigg who were the architects behind most of our victories.

Our congratulations go to M. Holder and D. R. Flower who were chosen for the District Under 14 XI.

INTERMEDIATE "A" XI.

Results: Played 17, Won 16, Lost 1. Goals For 84; Against 15.

An outstanding season in which the team easily won their league, winning every game. The XI also reached the final of the Lightfoot Cup and lost narrowly to the Technical School after extra time.

The most pleasing feature of the season, however, was the high standard of football played, with the emphasis being on intelligent use of the ball rather than "Kick-and-Rush" methods.

R. Lister—A sound keeper who made several good saves on the few occasions he was tested.

G. Hester—A fast runner who played well in the full-back position.

D. Coe—An intelligent defender who relied on brains rather than brawn.

D. Hannigan—A clever ball-player but must improve his positional play.

D. Roberts—Very constructive centre-half with slowness on the turn his only serious weakness.

C. Bass—A strong tackler and kicker.

B. Aherne—Although only a first former he has played soundly on the right wing.

M. Bell—A first-rate captain who has given of his best in every game. Essentially a team player he often inspired his team with the will to win.

G. Olson—Very fast and with a strong shot; he scored many goals.

R. Breen—A hard working inside-forward with a powerful left foot shot.

S. Holmes—A good "dribbler" who played very well, especially late in the season.

INTERMEDIATE "B" XI.

The "B" XI had their most successful season for several years. They made up for their first-round defeat in the Lightfoot Cup by winning the League Championship. Of the 10 league matches played, 8 were won, 1 drawn and the only defeat, at Iver, was largely due to the absence of the 1st form players.

The success is all the more creditable in that as many as twenty-six boys played for the side. Of the regulars, C. Sherlock was outstanding both as captain and player, at inside-right or right-half. J. Martin was a resourceful and determined centre-forward, R. Grimes a tireless left-half and A. Phillips a source of strength at right-back. R. Hanson was a reliable left-wing.

Several of the 1st form boys show promise. D. Gleane is a speedy and constructive back, though at present one-footed. M. Donoghue, B. Aherne and I. Cruickshank contributed much to the good football the team played and, in the backs, H. Burden and N. Hodgson improved steadily.

Six-a-Side 1960

Friday the 8th April was one of those longed-for summer days; a blazing sun in a cloudless, blue sky, not a breath of wind to disturb the air—wonderful for a day's outing to the coast. Unfortunately, this happened to be the day of this year's Six-a-side.

The masters once more presumed to enter two teams, both of whom fell through lack of stamina, gallantly defeated by very narrow margins in their first rounds.

Scores more young men ran furiously about for an hour or two more and the sun claimed its usual toll. It is interesting to note that this year, as last year, no more than two teams managed to reach the finals in both the senior and junior competitions.

Dearlove's team met Hodgson's in the senior finals and the former skilfully played in their own shadows, thereby defeating both sun and members of the latter team. Dearlove (capt.), Bayford, Turner, Foster, Thorpe and Wakeham deserve the medals.

In the junior finals, Brien's team met Sherlock's, both using sunshades. Unfortunately, the sun sizzled through the protection of the latter team, causing them to wilt a little earlier than the former, thereby conceding victory, and Brien (capt.), Slatter, Lister, Hilling, Roberts and Gleaves staggered away with the honours.

All praise to all who played; they do deserve it.

Hockey

Captain: A. B. M. Deuchar; Secretary: W. D. Thomas.

SINCE IT WAS reinstated in 1952, Hockey has been trying to make a name for itself in the school. I am pleased to report that the game is now being played from the second forms upwards and this will inevitably improve the standard of play in the 1st XI in future years.

The school team has had one of its most enjoyable seasons for many years. The regular XI were:—N. Wakeham, C. Hughes, C. Tyrie, A. Lucas-Smith, A. Deuchar, R. Nash, F. Davey, M. Stenning, S. Baxter, W. Thomas, B. Roberts, with M. Johnson and N. Lovelock as capable reserves. Others turned out for the school occasionally, including K. Butler, the 1st XI soccer goalkeeper. He immediately showed that he could be as good at hockey as he is at soccer.

New fixtures were made with Arborfield Army Apprentices School, Wallingford County Grammar School, Slough Technical School and the fixture with Wycombe Royal Grammar School was renewed. 19 matches were played—7 were won, 3 drawn, and 9 lost. Quite a remarkable feat, however, was that the school scored 55 goals and conceded only 50.

The season brought to an end—regrettably—the five years in succession captaincy of the school team by the Deuchar brothers. Both Michael and Brian could obtain the highest honours if they maintain the promise they have shown at school.

Deuchar unfortunately suffered a broken nose for a week before Christmas, so B. Roberts ably took over the captaincy.

The abilities of Deuchar, Roberts, and Thomas were recognised by the County, as all three represented Bucks in the Inter-County Schools Hockey Tournament in Sussex at the end of the Spring term. The above three boys had their school colours renewed and new colours were presented to F. Davey, C. Hughes, A. Lucas-Smith, C. Tyrie.

The Old Paludians encouraged members of the team to play for them on Saturday afternoons and so get valuable match practice, and they always welcome new members from those still at school.

At the end of July, several members of the team will be leaving, and so it will be up to the present fourth and fifth form boys to carry on and increase the tradition of hockey at Slough Grammar School.

A new venture this year was the introduction of house hockey matches. Four inglorious games were played, which proved great fun for all concerned. Some excellent soccer players and athletes found that hockey is not so gentle as some people think.

W. D. THOMAS.

Cross Country Running

Seniors.

This has been a more active season than usual, and our team has been, potentially at any rate, the best for some years. Yet only in one out of the twelve fixtures arranged were we able to field our strongest team. Injury and illness and occasionally the clash of other fixtures weakened the team persistently so that we were only able to win four matches and draw one.

Of individual performers, L. Greenaway has been outstanding. He improved steadily as the season advanced, gaining a fine win in a triangular fixture against Windsor Grammar School and High Wycombe Technical School, and being chosen to represent Bucks in the Schoolboy National Championship after coming 8th in the County Championship.

M. Duff, C. Summerhayes and R. Hill ran regularly for the team and were usually well placed, particularly Duff who is a young runner of promise.

C. Doyle, K. Wallis, M. Dean and M. Elquezabel lent strength to the team whenever they were able to run, and E. Clements and C. Halsey ran doggedly week after week, fighting against the handicap of approaching old

age. The following also ran for the School with some success on occasions:- S. Kochanowski, R. Stevens, P. Hinchcliffe and J. Virgo.

We congratulate Greenaway, Dean, Duff, Doyle and Wallis on being chosen to represent the District Under 17 team, Greenaway on being awarded full colours, and Summerhayes, Duff, Hill, Halsey and Clements on being awarded half colours.

Finally our thanks are due to C. Summerhayes for his captaincy of the team and for being largely responsible for the regular training done throughout the season, and to C. Halsey for all the efficient work he put in as secretary in arranging the fixtures.

Under 15.

This has been an outstanding team with an unbeaten record. As well as winning the three fixtures arranged against neighbouring grammar schools with a total of 66 points against our adversaries' combined total of 140, we won two local championships: the Slough and Eton District Race at Eton and the Annual Race for Schoolboys organised by the Maidenhead Cycling and Athletic Club in which eleven other grammar and secondary schools took part.

The strength of the team has lain with P. Hinchcliffe (Capt.), J. Virgo, R. Flower, M. Rouse and M. Bell (when he was not wanted for the under 13 team), all of whom packed very well in every race; in the fixture against Windsor Grammar School these boys secured the first five places. Others who represented the team and acquitted themselves well were P. Virgo, R. Barrett, B. Hollings and C. Wilson.

Hinchcliffe, J. Virgo, Bell and Rouse are also to be congratulated on being chosen to represent the District Team for this age group.

We hope next year to arrange more fixtures, and with over half this year's team still eligible we look forward to another successful season.

Under 13.

The only fixtures arranged this season have been two against Langley Grammar School, and of these we each won one. Langley, however, finally triumphed, for in the District Championship they wrested from us the Shield we have held for the past two years. We finished third.

M. Bell, a most promising youngster with an easy style and unusual stamina, has been outstanding and has won every race including the District Championship. This is the third consecutive year in which we have supplied the individual champion. He has been well supported by R. Breen, C. Bass, D. Dilnot, S. Durbin, R. Grimes, B. Wessely, and R. Paice, all of whom trained hard and ran with commendable determination. G. Hester, B. Street, and I. Cruikshank also ran for this team on occasions.

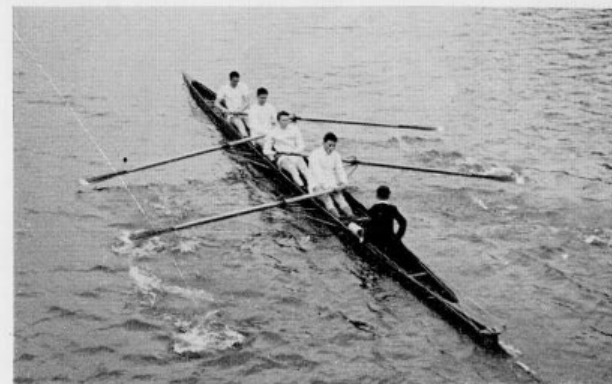
A disquieting fact is that, for the first time for several years, no really keen and able runner has emerged from the first forms. This is a pity as we shall be relying on them next year.

Rugby Football

THE RUGBY CLUB, revived by Mr. Thomas and Mr. Malin, took on a new lease of life during October. Interest in the game has spread through the Sixth Form, and Rugby is becoming established gradually as a sport worthy of everyone's attention.

In consequence of the unsettled conditions concerning the club this year, the playing results have not been too favourable for the school. Nevertheless,

THE FIRST FOUR



*G. Taylor (Bow), W. Hardy, A. Richardson,
G. Ayre (Stroke), R. Lang (Cox).*

INTERMEDIATE "A" ELEVEN

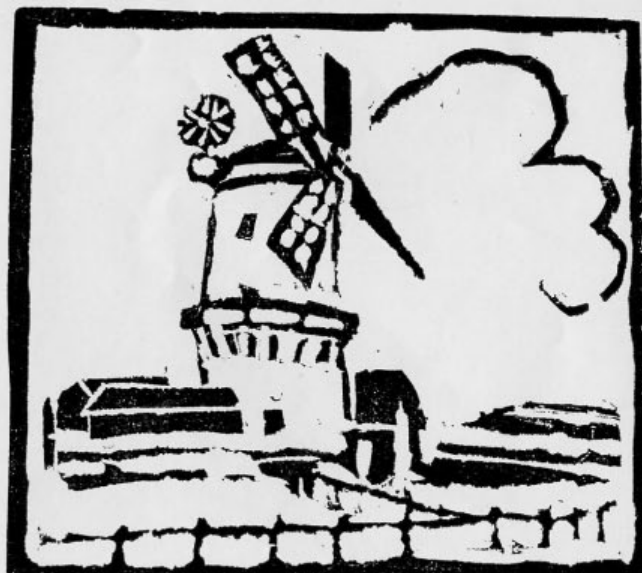


*Back row: S. Holmes, R. Lister, C. Bass, D. Roberts, R. Breen, G. Hester.
Front row: D. Coe, D. Hannigan, M. Bell (Capt.), G. Olson, B. Aherne.*



This year's visitors to the Lake District.

Photo by D. Beer.



Linocut by R. Barnett, IIIA.

apart from two heavy defeats by Maidenhead G.S. and Bishopshalt G.S., due partly to sudden last-minute changes in our team, we had quite a satisfactory season.

Four matches were played against Slough Technical School, of which we won only one, with defeat coming in the last seconds of another. An enjoyable series, nevertheless.

The School entered one team in the Bucks Schools' Seven-a-Side Competition at High Wycombe, having had no previous experience, and our team played surprisingly well, being beaten by only 11-0 in the Quarter-Finals by Aylesbury, the eventual champions.

We have been handicapped throughout the season by the clash of loyalties between Soccer, Hockey and Rugby, and our main hope for next season is that we shall be able to field a regular XV instead of being forced continually to make changes at the last moment. This was the great weakness in the system this season, and we were never able to field either the same three-quarter line or the same forward line for two successive games.

Two most unfortunate injuries deprived us of our captain, Andrew Oliver, for all but the first two matches. A most capable deputy was Roger Davis, who impressed all who saw him as a most promising and talented full-back. James McDonald fitted in extremely well at scrum-half, and Paul Spooner's quiet efficiency on the left wing was one of the soundest points of a frequently changing three-quarter line. Although we have several promising Fifth-Formers awaiting their chance next season, we shall badly miss the "drive" and energy of Terence Knight—a more than capable player at wing forward as well as at centre three-quarter; we regret too the departure of our fine hooker, Gordon Oliver, and of two of our most determined and influential forwards, Keith Halstead and George Ayre, who have played consistently well throughout.

Lower down in the school, Mr. A. G. Davies has been fostering the Rugby spirit in the Fourth Forms, and Dr. Spence has whipped-up much enthusiasm in the Thirds. These two teams had enjoyable and instructive matches against each other at the end of the Spring term, and they led one to hope that the position of Rugby in the school—strengthened by the keenness and ever-willing help of Mr. Myatt—will be consolidated, and that the attractive fixture list for next season will encourage others to turn their attention to the game.

R.E.M.

The Rowing Club

ALTHOUGH WE LOST some of our more experienced members at the end of last season, we are pleased to note that our numbers have increased to the extent of now being able to put three fours on the water, two from the sixth and one from the fifth form. The group from the fifth form is now separate and goes down to the club on Friday afternoons. It is hoped they are gaining valuable experience for the future.

The first four consists of G. Taylor, W. Hardy, A. Richardson, G. Ayre (stroke), and R. Lang (cox). This four is now training hard and will be entering regattas this season. They go down to the club four times a week and it is hoped other members will follow their example.

We should like to express our gratitude to Mr. Colombo for his help and encouragement and for making school rowing possible. Our thanks also go to Mr. Pearce, who has enthusiastically helped Mr. Colombo with coaching, and also to the Eton Excelsior Rowing Club for the use of their premises and equipment.

W. H. (Secretary).

Swimming

OUR ACHIEVEMENTS THIS year in the Slough and District Galas have been very moderate. Once again, the complaint—and excuse—is that there are too few keen swimmers to maintain a consistent standard.

This year's Senior Team was almost the same as last year's victorious Intermediate Team, but swimming against older boys they did well to share 3rd place with Langley Secondary School, Wm. Penn being champions as usual! J. Marshall gained 2nd place in the Backstroke event and K. Watson gained the same points in the Breaststroke race: together with R. Godley they managed 3rd place in the Medley Team race.

Even smaller in numbers than usual, our new Intermediate Team had no hopes of equalling last year's record win. A. Phillips was 3rd in the Breaststroke, as was C. Tripp in the Diving, while R. Heath gained a point for 4th place in the Breaststroke Style event; the total points put us 6th in the nine schools competing. Hard work lies ahead if we are to regain the Championship from Wm. Penn once again!

The difficulties of getting to the Baths every week and keeping to a training programme defeat too many of our swimmers—why? An unspecified prize is offered for a solution to the problem!

Basketball

DURING THE YEAR two teams have been playing regularly for the School. The Over 16 team, captained by M. Holliday since I. Elliott left school in July, have had a number of games against local schools. These include Langley Grammar, Slough Technical and R.G.S., High Wycombe. They have played 12 games and have won 9 of these. The under 16 team, captained by T. Yeomanson, have had more fixtures. They have played 18 games and have won 15.

In March a Slough Schools Tournament was held and an Under 17 team was entered. The team was successful and beat Langley Grammar in the final by 26 pts. to 14 pts.

It is hoped that boys in the 4th form who are interested will form an Under 15 team in order to gain experience and give even stronger senior teams in the future.

The following were regular members of the team:-

Over 16—M. Holliday, G. Oliver, W. Osborne, I. Clark, I. Hodgson, K. Lane.

Under 16—T. Yeomanson, J. Ford, M. Elquezabel, B. Carter, J. Burden, G. J. Thomas, G. G. Thomas.

W. R. OSBORNE.

A School Anthology

A Feline Episode

I. JIM—FLY BY NIGHT CAT

Our cat is a creature that's a regular feature
Of the most comfortable chair in the house.
He spends the whole day in a sedentary way
When he thinks least of all of a mouse.
But when the darkness of night
Shuts out all of the light,
And the shadows descend on the town,
Then without any doubt
Our cat prowls about
On the vicarage tiles up and down.

Our cat, Jim for short, isn't the sort
To spend the day actively hunting.
He just curls up his tail and lies quiet as a snail
(Except for occasional grunting).
But when the darkness of night
Bereaves us of light,
And the gas-lamps are lit in the town,
Then he yowls his song
As he prowls along
On the vicarage tiles up and down.

And when there's a fire in the grate, he'll retire
To his chair for the rest of the day.
And he'll never stir, though each hybrid cur
In the street may bark, yap, or bay.
But when the darkness of night
Steals the last ray of light,
And a hushness falls over the town,
In the moon's gentle glare
You'll see Jim stalking there
On the vicarage tiles up and down.

II. SIMON—CAT WITH A COMPLEX

Simon is a Manx cat,
An always-up-to-pranks cat,
Although he's quite well-bred, and so polite;
Quite a please-and-thanks cat,
Not an other ranks cat,
His I.Q. showed that he was rather bright.

But his good mood turns to bad if you mention the word "tail,"
For you see he is a Manx cat, and he hasn't one to flail,
And any night you'll hear him in a voice so sad bewail,
"Oh why, oh why, oh tell me why I haven't got a tail."

Simon is a nice cat,
A good, without a vice cat,
And never did he suffer indigestion,
A get-rid-of-the-mice cat,
A do-it-in-a-trice cat,
He'd do it, too, with never any question.

But he cannot bear those people who say, "Look, that cat's no tail!"
And underneath his fur his face will suddenly turn pale.
And any night upon the roofs you'll hear his sorrow'd wail
"Oh why, oh why, oh tell me why I haven't got a tail."

How I wish that cat could have that yearned appendage on his end,
For those constant nightly blues will drive me screaming round the bend.
Inferiority has been his complex for so long,
Since he lacks a furry tail he sings his melancholic song.

"Oh why, oh why, oh tell me why I haven't got a tail."

"LUPUS MAGNUS."

Schwarzwaldbesuch

LAST AUGUST ABOUT thirty boys of the third and fourth forms accompanied by Mr. Sonnex, went to West Germany to stay for a month in the industrial town of Essen. During my stay I was fortunate enough to be taken, by the family with whom I was staying, for a week in the Schwarzwald, or Black Forest, of Southern Germany.

The Black Forest is an area of extremely mountainous country, containing what is probably the most beautiful and picturesque scenery in all Germany. I stayed at a hostel in Oberwolfach, a tiny hamlet nestling in a valley between some of the highest mountains. The road from Oberwolfach to Wolfach, the "parent-town," was accompanied by a sparkling brook. Lying in bed at night, it was easy for me to be completely carried away into the romance of medieval Germany.

If you dislike climbing mountains, drinking, or playing cards, don't go to a village in the Black Forest. There's absolutely nothing else there for a stranger, and it very easy to become bored. One source of pleasure was found in the Glaswaldsee, literally the "Glass Wood Lake," which was high in the mountains about five miles from the hostel. The water in this lake is very dark, almost black, and is very, very cold. It is locally thought that the water lies in the crater of an extinct volcano.

Freudenstadt is a charming town, almost in the middle of the Black Forest, and its sparkling white buildings were in contrast to Essen and Slough. The main shopping centre takes the form of a square, with a bus station in the middle. The shops are built out over the pavement, resulting in shady passages greatly resembling cloisters. The town-hall is, for the most part, majestic, an unfortunate exception being the butcher's shop built into one side of the main foyer.

The atmosphere of the Black Forest is unique in Germany. There were two buses each day in each direction at Oberwolfach, and these brought the mail and any special orders for the village craftsmen. The peasants' language is difficult for even visiting Germans to understand, being a sort of outlandish dialect. The sky-seeking, green-wooded mountains shut out all sound, and each tiny hamlet lies in perfect peace and seclusion in its own private valley.

If anyone should have the opportunity of visiting Germany, I would urge him that no German visit is complete without seeing the breathtaking scenery of the Black Forest, which is rivalled only by the Castles of the Rhine.

C. BURLEY, 5A..

Courageous Coyote

WHERE HE CAME from we never knew, but one day the wretched creature was found huddled against the chimney stack of our log cabin. The North American winter had set in, and in northern latitudes this is not pleasant. Snow was falling lightly at the time, and I went out to chop some wood. The coyote had found shelter under the low eaves of the cabin and had been drawn by the warmth of the chimney stack. It was quite young and had probably only been born in the Spring of the same year. Quietly, I moved over to the prostrate object. Instantly, the cub sprang up, his eyes glowing fiercely and his ivory fangs bared for attack. I did nothing and slowly the coyote calmed down. Confident, I stood up, but this was too much for the creature. Like a hare he was off, into the pinewoods beyond, his long tail trailing in the snow.

On the first fine day following the encounter, I prepared for a journey to a nearby cabin, about thirty miles away. This was the nearest dwelling to our own, and the occupant specialised in making firearms. He had repaired my father's rifle, and re-conditioned it. As it was Christmas, my father had made me a present of it, so all I had to do was collect it.

The sun shone brilliantly and small cumulus clouds raced across the sky, tossed playfully by the fresh morning breeze. The snow carpeted the ground to a depth of about one foot, and the brightness hurt the eyes. I noticed the tracks of the coyote fresh upon the morning snow. Odd coyotes are rare as they usually travel in packs in winter, so I assumed that they belonged to the one which had taken refuge by the cabin. This cub had probably lost its mother, and therefore its connection to the pack. To try to rejoin the pack would have been fatal.

I had to camp out the first night, half way there. While I was preparing supper, I noticed a movement in the wood beyond. I looked steadily and I recognised it as the lone creature I had encountered the week before. It was looking thin and hungry, a bag of bones. When I threw it a lump of meat, it went for it hungrily. Its hunger had overcome its fear, and it advanced to my fire like a mouse after a bit of cheese under the nose of a sleeping cat. It settled at a respectful distance from my fire, and was content to go for the bits of meat tossed into the soft snow. Cautiously, slowly, the coyote advanced. By the time the fire had died and I was ready for sleep, it was bolting as much meat as it could into that famished stomach. It was only a few feet away from me, but would not permit me to touch it.

The following morning, I woke to hear distant cries and shouts, and gunfire. Having heard this many times before, I understood that buffalo killers were out, after meat and hides. This was a dangerous time, because the buffalo disperse and run amuck, like stampeding elephants. Hastily, I prepared to depart. I was just stamping out the morning's fire when I perceived a commotion behind me. A vicious buffalo, heaving and snorting from the stampede, charged frantically towards me. Petrified, I lost my senses and fell sharply to the ground. I saw a black object hurtle out of the cover and crash like a bullet against the nearside flank of the beast. The buffalo's charge was checked and, swerving, the animal's angry hooves thundered like Death past my nose. It tore away to the left, and its attacker was thrown off and harshly kicked by the buffalo's rear hoof.

After a few minutes, I got up and walked over to it. It was the coyote, lying unconscious and deformed in the snow stained with its blood. I bent down and carefully picked it up. It was barely alive, and a large gash was drawn across its body from the kick. One of its fore-limbs was broken, and at least one rib. It was hopeless. Slowly, the creature opened its eyes. I could almost have killed it there to save it from its agony, but it looked beseechingly at me as if it wanted to live. Should I return home with it, with the faint hope of saving its life, or leave it there to die? What about my rifle? I imagined it—it was like Solomon's treasure to me—polished barrel, sleek outline, and with a tattooed butt, engraved with my name in silver lettering. If I missed the opportunity, the weather would probably not allow me to return till the Spring. I looked again at the poor creature. His warm blood trickled down my jacket, and he still looked plaintively up, like a martyr on the chopping block.

I must save him! Glad that I had made the decision, I cleaned him up and tried to feed him. He would not eat, so I had to give him part of my valuable milk supply from my flask. I could not travel far that day, as I was badly shaken and had a heavy burden on my mind. After only a few weary miles had been covered, dusk fell and forced me to make camp again.

The next day, I woke to find the poor fellow dead, wrapped in blankets close by me. I felt bitterly sad and disappointed, and slowly buried him. Our acquaintance had been so short, and I honoured him accordingly, because he had saved my life.

Packing my bags, I slowly departed, leaving a solitary cross under a pine tree. Never once did I think about the rifle. It seemed so trivial. I plodded away, leaving a single set of tracks from the grave of such an honourable and courageous dog . . .

N. B. HEARN, V.B.

A Translation from the French by Théophile Gautier

And in the foreground of my vision stands
An ancient elm, its timeless trunk girt proud
In mantle green of moss, its boughs like hands
Wave brown and leafless through a misty cloud.
And here a stagnant pool of fetid slime
Makes dull the cries of prattling ducks' alarms,
While bushes sparse with bitter fruit like lime
Stretch mendicant their twigs as though for alms.
Stands there an ancient house, whose crumbling walls
On every side with gaping cracks grin stark,
And in the background mills raise high their sails,
Their flimsy outline's silhouette in dark
Spun like a web embroidered on the mist.
Then distant far lie Paris' smoky glooms
Where points of light still keep a hazy trist
Like myriad eyes in dingy lamp-lit rooms.
Paris, with its diverse roofs, its towers
Like vultures' balded necks seen from afar.
And pointed belfries, notched and jagged spires,
A giant comb in night's dishevelled hair.

Hazily do I remember Spring

Hazily do I remember Spring,
When everything was beautiful for me
And time indeed an unimportant thing,
And I loved vivid colours, mud, the sea.
Yet in the summertime I blossomed rare,
And things of beauty then became my quest,
Time all-important saw my eager stare,
And varied hues and feelings jarred my zest.
O, soon, too soon, dread autumn me o'ercame,
And beauty drifted from my sight, a leaf,
And savage time unresting, ne'er the same
Those colours dulled, and many times came grief.
Now white-haired winter holds me in her grip,
And fallen beauty fades from dimming sight,
I tremble 'neath time's last and cruellest whip,
And seas of sadness gird me in my plight.

I. J. LINDOP, U.VI.

UNDOUBTEDLY THE MOST pleasant day of the school year is the last day of the summer term, for with it die examinations and all their accompanying work and worry. It also happens to be the day upon which school dinners become but a dim and no-longer-frightening memory. Moreover, it precedes the first day of the holidays, when the world takes on a new, promising look.

Foreign holidays provide a great deal of educational enjoyment for there is an atmosphere which is completely different from anything one meets in this country. Then there is, of course, the language; the enjoyment which arises from not being able to speak the language has to be experienced to be believed.

In France last summer, having run short of soup, I stopped at a small village grocery store somewhere between Dijon and Avallon. I entered the dim, cramped shop and, reading carefully from page three of my A.A. Conversation Handbook, addressed the owner like a native.

"Je suis anglais. Je ne parle pas français," I beamed.

"Bon jour, monsieur," he beamed back. Thus filled with confidence I turned to page twenty-one, entitled 'At the Restaurant' in search of soup. Unfortunately, that page must have fallen out in Dijon for the Handbook proceeded from page nineteen to twenty-two, and I was therefore left with the task of expressing soup in my best pidgeon-french.

"Avez-vous de Knorr Swiss?" I enquired tentatively. No reaction. "De Batchelors? Heinz 57? Mother's Pride? Co-op?"

He smiled, bravely. "Pardon, monsieur?" I could see that a different approach was needed.

"Onion," I declared stoutly, at which he seemed not a little offended. "Turtle?" I ventured persuasively. "Mushroom, Oxtail, Irish Stew?" By this time, his smile had faded and it seemed that an ugly situation might develop. I decided upon a more devious approach.

I flicked my fingers under his nose to represent flames and he started aback in the French equivalent of fright. This was followed by an imitation of a soup saucepan in which I stirred an imaginary spoon until the whole, non-existent collection came to the boil, and finally I licked my lips.

"Ah, soupe, monsieur," he exclaimed . . .

There is, no doubt, a fine moral to this story and I hope that those of you who find it take heed. The fact remains, however, that such an experience can rarely be found except abroad and with the summer holidays so near I hope many will cross the channel and find out how the other half live. It's an education to go abroad.

T. KNIGHT, U.VI.

The Mistake

LAST WHITSUN HOLIDAY, my parents thought it would be a good idea if we all went down to the river for a few days. We arrived at the river-side hotel at four o'clock. John and I unloaded, while mum and dad booked the rooms.

It was a small hotel and could only hold ten people at the most. The only other resident at this time was a small, rather sinister man, who, we thought, didn't like us and who certainly kept out of our way. Our parents took no notice of him but we thought that there was something fishy about him.

Next morning, we went for a walk, following the tow-path. Suddenly we saw a field, and in that field was the sinister man. We got nearer to him. We could see him but he couldn't see us, for we were in some bushes. He was digging rather quickly, and every now and again he would look round as if he were

looking out for someone. Then he stopped digging, picked up something from the hole and put it in a tin box which he had taken from his pocket. We went back rather puzzled.

The following evening our parents went out for a drive while we said we would play in the hotel. At eight-thirty we saw the man go out of the back-door. We followed him. He went to the same field and almost the same spot as he went to before. He started digging and again he picked up something from the ground and put it in his tin box. We went home that night thinking the most weird thoughts.

By chance I woke up at five that morning and I looked out of the window. Dawn was just breaking and I saw the man going out with a long package underneath his arm. I woke up John and we dressed quickly and followed him. We followed the same old route along the towpath and he stopped by the edge of the river. He opened up the package and put the two contents together. We got closer, and to our amazement he opened up his tin box, took out a worm and attached it to the end of his fishing line.

G. MOORE, 2B.

Jazz

JAZZ HAS ALWAYS been a controversial subject. From its introduction it has been subject to fierce criticism from lovers of "legitimate" music. This, perhaps, is the cross that all new forms of art have to bear, although jazz is not essentially a new art. The early performers were criticised for their lack of musical education, but their inability to write music led to spontaneous and uninhibited improvisations on the particular theme. Many years later this feature of jazz music was rediscovered in the beautiful logically developed solos of the illiterate French guitarist, Django Reinhardt. Due to the very nature of the music, the best jazz is not usually found in a recording studio. Thus it was that quite often crude, repetitive phrasing went down on record, while much inspired jazz must have been lost. Nowadays, however, there is a tendency to record at concerts and in clubs, which is probably a good thing.

After the second world war, a new type of jazz evolved in which instead of the soloist "blowing" an improvisation on the melody, he produced his solos on the harmony as well. Much more scope was afforded by this development and thus techniques improved. From the lead given by players like Charlie Christian, Thelonius Monk and the immortal Charlie Parker, many diverse schools of "modern jazz" have arisen, ranging from the lyrical thoughtfulness of trumpeter Miles Davis to the pyrotechnical displays of Dizzy Gillespie. The latest moves are attempts to fuse jazz with more orthodox forms of music and the Modern Jazz Quartet are well to the fore in this line of thought.

So it is that jazz has been split into two main camps with a third type of jazz "Mainstream" lying between the two. The controversy which previously existed between jazz and the outside now lies between the "modernists" and the "trad-types." The latter, championed by the French critic, Hugues Panassié, are against progress in jazz. They believe that it ought to remain how it was in the early part of the century. This ideal could lead to a gradual stagnation and an ultimate eclipse of the art. The modern trend of thought, on the other hand, tends to dismiss early jazz as "boring, corny, crude and by perverts for perverts." It regards traditional jazz as the rough diamond with itself as the polished stone. This obviously isn't true because the music is changing (not necessarily progressing) continuously. The modern soloist generally has a superior technique to the early jazzman and the majority of players have had a legitimate course of musical training. The search for originality governs much of the train of thought and so the number of instruments used in jazz grows all the time. Improvisations are intricate and sometimes rather superfluous and ordinary mortals are defied to understand them. The pseudo-modern jazz fan accepts many solos as excellent when in fact they are just a showcase of a player's technical skill rather than imaginative skill.

Some people might say that one can only belong to one school or the other

and this dictum is fostered by the "one or the other" policies of most jazz clubs. There are, however, numerous jazz students who like a piece of jazz for what it is regardless of its form. They appreciate the genius of Armstrong as well as that of Oscar Peterson. The King Oliver cornet solo in *Dippermouth Blues* is as pleasurable to them as the Milt Jackson solo on *Django* and extremists find no place amongst their ranks. The extremist on one side or the other can only do harm to jazz and so is not to be encouraged.

Finally, one thing that binds all jazz lovers together, irrespective of their tastes is a dislike of any form of commercialism.

E. HILL, U.VI.

The Heart of Hialmar

Clear is the night and cold the wind. The snow
Lies red. A thousand tombless dead sleep there
Sword yet in grasp, eyes haggard. Not one stirs.
A flock of crows wheels screaming overhead.
The distant moon burns icy with pale flames.
Hialmar rises midst the blood-soaked dead
Resting hands on stump that was his blade;
The scarlet gore of war flows from his side.
"Halloo," cried he, "has no-one still his breath
Among so many cheerful, robust lads
Who but this morn did laugh, and lusty sing
Like blackbirds in the thickets of a hedge?
Are all dumb? My helmet smashed, my armour
Pierced, studs themselves e'en dashed out by the axe.
My eyes bleed, and I hear loud murmurings.
Seas crashing, and the howling of a wolf.
Now here, O crow, my eater of brave men,
And open with your steely bill my chest.
You'll find us here, such as we are, the morn.
My yet warm heart to Ylmer's daughter take.
To Upsal where the Jarlo drink their ale.
And sing in chorus, striking pitchers gold.
Fly at all speed, O prowler of the heath!
Seek out my love and take her to my heart.
In tower's height which lowly ravens haunt,
There will you see her, pure, with long black locks;
And two fine silver rings hang from her ears.
And brighter are her eyes than fine night's stars.
Go, sombre Hermes, take my pledge of love,
And tell her that this is my heart, she'll see
It red and solid, trembling not nor pale,
And Ylmer's daughter on you, crow, shall smile!
I die; my soul seeps out through twenty wounds.
My days are done. O wolves, drink of my blood.
Young and brave, laughing, free, unblemished.
I leave to sit i' the sun among the Gods.

(Translation from the French *Le Cœur de Hialmar*,
by Leconte de Lisle).

I. J. LINDOP, U.VI.

Sunday Morning

Bells : Baking : Bird.
 Through window streaming
 Sun seemingly steaming
 Heat haze on panelled door.
 The lump moved, it stirred.
 A hand emerged, groping
 So hoping at sloping
 Bed-head; flopped to the floor.
 Silence. Save outside
 For smattering
 Of chattering, not mattering
 To me, beside
 Myself with sadness
 At the madness of the badness
 Of getting up.
 Appears at last the bed-beloved face
 Mind hardly keeping pace
 With events. Monday? Sunday? Sunday!
 Emitted groan means hardly any fun-day.
 With hair deranged
 And lips estranged
 And eyelids barely parted,
 Things mental ranged
 But hardly changed
 'The fact the day had started.
 Ring. Ring. Ring. Ring.
 "Oh, drat that thing."
 Midst groans and moans
 And curses on all telephones
 It raised itself. It scratched its head,
 And then it scratched its ear instead,
 And shambled,
 Rambled,
 Ambled,
 With mumbles about "dead lumber"
 To the phone: "Wrong number!"

Curse Sunday mornings when it's cold,
 And I can't raise myself when told,
 Because I'm merely not that bold.
 But curse those people, none are dumber,
 Who Sundays 'phone their dearest momma,
 But who forget the cursed number.
 And curse the others, curse the rest
 Who never make my Sunday best.

L'homm' qui rit dans l'ombre

Partout si seul je vais
 Un ami je connais

Qui n'accompagne sombre;
 C'est l'homm' qui rit . .
 . . . Et rit . . . et rit . . .
 C'est l'homm' qui rit dans l'ombre.

Quand je suis dans la ville
 Avec les gars . . . les filles,
 Je sais que dans leur nombre.
 Est l'homm' qui rit . . .
 . . . Et rit . . . et rit
 Est l'homm' qui rit dans l'ombre.

Si par la vast' campagne
 Mon chien j'accompagne,
 S'assit sous l'arbre sombre
 Cet homm' qui rit . . .
 . . . Et rit . . . et rit
 Cet homm' qui rit dans l'ombre.

I. J. LINDOP, U.VI.

Le chaos vaincu

Dans mon cerveau confus un éclat tout brillant
 Abbat mes sens 'ordus. Un mistral brouillant
 Siffle et gémit fantasque, ensuite un son affreux
 Crève mes oreilles, et je me sens honteux.

Hélas! ce son devient plus fort, inexorable,
 Gagnant son comble vif sans form', sans cord', pilant:
 Mes sens, ma raison, tout ce son bizarre accable.
 Enfin fini, il fane, au lointain doux filant.

Je tombe, agenouillé, conjurant je supplie,
 Les mains levées vers Dieu, "Envoyez-moi du jour!"
 Et, en ce moment-là, la nuit retire et crie
 —Et je suis seul, heureux; dompté, vaincu le four.

Au milieu des cieux, le tact de la rosée,
 Je pleure, car n'était vaine ma prière osée.

I. J. LINDOP, U.VI.

"The Mikado"—A Retrospection

IT IS REMARKABLE how many things of value and significance to us today are the result of a great outburst of activity in the period 1884-1885. Daimler invented the petrol engine. Charles Parsons invented the steam turbine. Gold was discovered in the Transvaal. The Fabian Society was founded, and one of its inaugurators, Bernard Shaw, was writing his first play. The Wagnerian revolution reached its peak with the production of *Parsifal* at the Albert Hall. And Sir W. S. Gilbert and Sir Arthur Sullivan completed their revolution of the Victorian musical theatre with *The Mikado*,

unquestionably the best-loved and most popular of their fourteen comedy operas produced between 1871 and 1896.

Their previous opera, *Princess Ida*, had been a comparative failure for a Savoy opera (it ran 245 nights), and many people said that both Gilbert and Sullivan had exhausted their inventive skills. Even the cast of the new opera had a suspicion that it would be a failure.

But how wrong they were! The entry in Sullivan's diary for 14th March, 1885, reads: "New Opera *The Mikado*, or *The Town of Titipu*, produced at the Savoy Theatre with every sign of real success. A most brilliant house. Tremendous reception," and today, exactly seventy-five years after its first production, the opera is still receiving tremendous receptions everywhere it is played.

The Mikado was produced at a time when Japan was emerging from Mediaeval obscurity, and when anything Japanese was considered strange, romantic and exciting. But, as G. K. Chesterton has written, "In *The Mikado*, Gilbert pursued and persecuted the evils of modern England till they had literally not a leg to stand on, exactly as Swift did under the allegory of *Gulliver's Travels*. I doubt if there is a single joke in the play that fits the Japanese, but all the jokes fit the English."

The music, too, follows a thoroughly English idiom—what could be more English than the beautiful madrigal in Act II? It would have been easy for Sullivan to have filled *The Mikado* with pseudo-Japanese tunes, but this would have taken much of the pleasure away from this opera, where the Lord High Executioner arrives on the stage to a tune whose opening bars are no more than a witty arrangement of "A Fine Old English Gentleman!" There is one exception to this: the music and words that accompany the entrance of the Emperor in Act II, "Miya sama, miya sama, On n'ma no maye ni, etc." This is, in fact, the official war song of the Japanese Imperial Army who marched to victory in 1868. (It is also interesting to note that apart from this chorus, there is nothing else Japanese in the opera except the name of the Lord High Executioner, Ko-Ko, which means "pickles").

In spite of the fact that the Japan of Gilbert's play is merely a *facade* for his satire of Victorian England, the Japanese ambassador in London tried to have the production suppressed because, he said, it ridiculed the Emperor, then still regarded as a divine being by his subjects. In 1907 the opera was actually banned because the Japanese Crown Prince was visiting England, although selections from the opera were regularly played by the Japanese Navy band! Less than forty years after this, performances of *The Mikado* were being given in Tokio (in Japanese) with the Emperor in the audience!

It is natural that these essentially English operas should appeal most to those in whose mother tongue they are written. Nevertheless, there have been many representations of the operas in quite a few non-English speaking lands. Richard D'Oyly Carte, who presented all the original productions, sent a touring company to Holland, Austria, Germany and Bavaria. These tours were highly successful as a comment from the *North German Gazette* shows: "We are conscious of entertaining a very pronounced predilection for all our home products, but we scruple not to confess that *The Mikado* surpasses all our operettas." Besides these tours, productions of *The Mikado* have been given in Croatian, Czech, Danish, Finnish, French, German, Hungarian, Italian, Japanese, Russian and Swedish.

For some reason, it is the Germans, above all the other European states, who seem to have the greatest liking for *The Mikado*, although one of the most famous (or infamous) German productions of this opera was given at the Grosses Schauspielhaus, Berlin, in 1927, when Nanki-Poo was depicted as an American in Oxford "bags," the Three Little Maids from School appeared as a troupe of "semi-clad damsels" à la Tiller, and where there was a nude representation of Yum-Yum opening the second act. This production

was outstandingly successful, for it ran nearly a year—and the seating capacity of the Grosses Schauspielhaus is 5,000.

America, too, has been foremost with the production of 'unorthodox' *Mikados*. Indeed, not long ago, on Broadway, there were three rival versions being played at one time—the English "traditional" version presented by the D'Oyly Carte Company, then visiting the States, *The Swing Mikado* and *The Hot Mikado*, the last of these presented by the late Mike Todd and starring the negro jazz singer Bill "Bojangles" Robinson as the Mikado.

Today, three-quarters of a century after its first triumphal production, *The Mikado* is still going strong. It is a rule of the musical theatre that each generation creates its own type of musical show—the coy, charming musicals, such as *Floradora* and *The Quaker Girl*, of the Edwardian era, the ragtime musicals of just before the First World War, the *No, No, Nanette* and *Desert Song* type of show of the '20's and the lavish Rogers and Hammerstein musicals of the 1950's—each fashion fades and is replaced by a new type of show. The Gilbert and Sullivan operas, and in particular *The Mikado*, disregard this rule. They are "classics" for they continue to make their appeal to successive generations of theatre-goers. It is not difficult to calculate the fate of the majority of our contemporary stage and film musicals, for how many of them will have any life left in them after the space of ten years? How many of the tunes of today's musicals will we be singing in 1970, as we sing the tunes written by Sullivan seventy-five years ago? Not many, and

"Of that there is no manner of doubt,
No probable, possible shadow of doubt,
No possible doubt whatever!"

IAN D. STUART.

Rigny-Ussé 1959

RIGNY-USSE IS A small village forty kilometres west of Tours on the banks of the Indre, a tributary of the Loire. For most of the year the inhabitants go about their business in stolid Gallic fashion, watched over by the seventeenth century Château of which they are justly proud. In Rigny-Ussé, if you do not work on the land tending your wine-grapes or corn, you are either a shop-owner, hotelier or public servant, but there are few of these. In the summer the anglers come from Paris, Orléans and Blois to try their skill in the shallow waters of the Loire, and when they come they stay at the Hôtel de la Croix Blanche and drink the wine which Rabelais extolled. In the summer, too, large American cars pull up in the grounds of the Château, and from them spring hordes of crew-cut, sunglassed, gaudily-clad people who see the beauty of France only through the lenses of their viewfinders. But they are Americans, and so you must make allowances.

If you were living in Rigny-Ussé in the summer of 1959, you will remember that there came to your village with the anglers from the towns and the Americans from their cars two new animals. They were not dressed in the overalls of the anglers, nor the bright suits of the Americans—they came in the heat of the day walking along the dusty roads, wearing sports jackets and flannels, white shirts, ties and, of all things, leather town shoes, black and polished. They were English.

The three weeks Alan Jervis and I spent in and around Rigny-Ussé proved to us that here is the perfect holiday for the tattered, impecunious English student professing to know at least a little French. The village is within easy reach of Tours and Chinon, Blois and Azay-le-Rideau with their châteaux, and it is at the same time secluded enough to provide enough leisure to suit even the laziest. The people are friendly, easy to converse with, and they speak a brand of French which could be found in any text-book of the French language. Their

home-grown fruits and vegetables have to be tasted to be believed, and the weather can be described only as perfect. The countryside immediately surrounding the broad, sluggish, shallow Loire is beautiful enough to imbue even the most terrestrial soul with a sense of poetry and elation, and, of course, if you are an angler, this is paradise. The wine is cheap, but good, the water absolutely filthy, and the Alsatian beer cool and refreshing. This is Rigny-Ussé.

This year thousands of English tourists will pour into France. They will make for Paris, Marseilles, Nice and Cannes in hordes, and, if you are lucky, you might even find a Frenchman there, too. Perhaps, who knows, one or two of them might pass through the little village of Rigny-Ussé, Indre-et-Loire, but this is unlikely for there is apparently nothing to attract one there, or is there?

I. J. LINDOP, U.VI.

The Thirty Years' Gap

I THOUGHT I had had my share of adventure and excitement when I returned to Britain after thirty years of living in New Guinea, where I met no one but the natives, except on very rare occasions. But I was wrong, for some very great surprises awaited me when I finally returned here.

I saw very little of the place at first for, on leaving the ship, I was quickly whisked into a train by a very efficient steward. It was night.

Outside the station I thought I would find at least one taxi-cab, but no, instead I was directed to a large, very full, 'bus. However, I found a seat and, having bought a ticket, which the conductor unrolled from a little machine in a most peculiar manner, I rode off into the night.

The place seemed changed. Where was this horrid, glaring light coming from? I found the source at last; there with their tops very high, above the roof of the 'bus, were a row of long, giraffe-like, lamps, very different from the short, stubby poles I used to know. Also, a much greater noise came from the street; there were many more cars, vans, and motor-cycles, and, now and again, small, bright-coloured machines would chug past us. They were rather like miniature motor-cycles. At last the 'bus reached my hotel.

Inside, I was guided away from the staircase by a small page-boy, and put into a little, box-like room which conveyed me at a sickening speed to the right floor. I suppose this box also carried the newspapers to me the following morning.

What shocks I found in them! The Guards were now stationed inside the railings at Buckingham Palace (I think they were said to be dangerous because one had kicked a visiting lady tourist). The Prime Minister was, I discovered, a former back-bench rebel, and one of his Cabinet colleagues was actually refusing to re-introduce flogging, in spite of the protests of several formidable females from Bournemouth. There were even women in the House of Lords, and certain 'gentlemen' had stood shirtless at Lords. France had had the same Government for over a year; the Empire, sorry, Commonwealth, Prime Ministers were said to have quarrelled, and, worst of all, the *Guardian* had disassociated itself from Manchester!

The final shock came when I visited some old friends, whom I had not seen for many years. Instead of having a lively discussion, as had previously been their custom, they were seated in a semi-circle around a wooden box with a glass front, called television which some maniac named Baird had invented. They really believed that on this machine they would be better able to judge for themselves how great the recent earthquake disasters were, would see Shakespeare's plays performed better than in a 'live' theatre, and would see more of the Grand National than they would on the racecourse itself!

In view of all this, I think I had better return to New Guinea. I may run

the risk of being eaten by head-hunting cannibals, but at least they will boil me in an old-fashioned, black pot, and not in a nice, bright, shiny, aluminium saucepan.

P. SLATER, IV.A.

Help!

A GEOGRAPHICAL SURVEY attempting to find somewhere to live in SAFETY.

(a) The NATO countries.

An admirable defence system is possessed by these countries. It consists of a ring of rocket sites round Russia, with thousands of rockets pointing at Russia; airstrips for H-bomb carrying jet aircraft surrounding Russia, atom bomb warheads in rockets, an atom-powered submarine circumnavigating Russia, as well as troops by the thousand with their noses over the Iron Curtain. The only fault in this defence is that the U.S.S.R. has a strong enough defence to defend itself against it. Peace proposals by the U.S.A., such as the "Open Skies" plan must be accepted before these Nato countries will be safe. This proposal would make it possible for American spy planes and H-bomb bombers to fly over Moscow unmolested, an essential factor for World Peace.

(b) U.S.S.R. and Satellites.

See (a).

(c) Mainland China.

This place does not exist; ask any North American politician. Thus all problems are solved, but one cannot live there.

(d) India.

Troubled by imaginary nations.

(e) Formosa.

See (d).

(f) Panama.

The G.I.'s are stationed there already to shoot all the natives if anyone should whisper "nationalisation."

(g) Cuba.

I don't think Castro likes Uncle Sam. Fatal!

(h) South America.

The riots caused by the good-will visit of Vice-President Nixon have still not died down.

(i) Australia.

It is possible that the Americans might use the Woomera rocket site. It is debatable whether the first manned satellite from there will land on Perth or Brisbane.

(j) The Arctic.

U.S. bases in Alaska.

(k) Algeria, Cyprus, Egypt, Israel, Lebanon.

No comment necessary.

(l) Tierra del Fuego.

Perfect, I hope. Otherwise my single ticket is wasted.

K. S. HALSTEAD, U.VI.

News from the Old Boys

(The editors are very conscious of the inadequacy of this section and appeal to Old Boys to help make it more complete).

We wish to congratulate the following:-

Raymond Groome (1948-1954) and D. A. Bell (1950-1956) on gaining commissions in the 1st Battalion Coldstream Guards, and the Royal Corps of Signals, respectively.

Roger Bester (1950-1957) for winning the Kodak scholarship for his excellent work in photography.

Robin Bowers (1950-1957) now in his 3rd year of studies in Science and Arts at Michigan State University, for achieving the distinction of being placed on the "All-A Honor Roll."

W. J. Hines (1947-1955) for gaining the M.Sc. degree of London University, a research scholarship from the Medical Council and a travelling scholarship from Rotary.

Jim Barker (1952-1959) on being made Editor of the University Magazine in his first year at Durham.

Stephen Hyde (1951-1958) on being elected Captain of U.C.L. Hockey XI.

News from Bristol

THERE ARE TWELVE old boys of Slough Grammar School at the University of Bristol at the moment in various stages of their careers. The oldest old boy of us all is D. J. Killip who is in his seventh year here and is doing research on subjects connected with cancer. Also doing Bio-Chemistry research (although only in his sixth year!), is Burt Ackrell, who, like two other post-graduate Chemists, Bob Gale and Colin Jones, has been a distinguished member of the Soccer Club for some time. Two of the original starters to reach their third year are R. J. Wilson, who is reading Engineering, and G. A. D. King, who is our only representative in the Arts Faculty. Gad is a past secretary of the Table-Tennis Club, and is at present in their first team. There are four of us in our second year, Norman Edwards, a bio-chemist, Dave Williams, a chemist, Mike Dovey, a medical student and myself. I do mathematics. Dave Williams has abandoned reckless physical activity and has taken up chess with great success, whereas I have continued playing soccer with little success. Norman Edwards goes for long walks, he tells me, but poor Mike Dovey has his walks restricted to hospital wards where he is studying at the moment. Norman Page is the only "fresher" straight from school, but Don Noble is in his first year as a civil engineer having completed his National Service. This completes the list of Slough Students who have taken to the Great West Road, but it is an open list, and additions are always welcome.

C. O'DONOGHUE.

The Old Paludians

ANOTHER YEAR HAS passed and again I have to report the achievements and pastimes enjoyed during the last twelve months. The period has been one of consolidation of what we already have rather than one of extending our section still further.

Our numbers have slightly increased, but we should like to increase them further. To be eligible for membership one has only to be an 'old boy' of the school or, to those few concerned, a Master of the school. All are very welcome. So, anyone reading this who would like to become a member and is eligible, please join.

As you can read elsewhere in the section reports, we play cricket, football, hockey, table tennis and there is a motor section which holds frequent treasure hunts and rallies. Other than athletic activities, we hold dances every month either at the Club House or the Dolphin Hotel—sometimes both—and there is always the Club House where one can enjoy the company of friends.

And now to mention a few of the highlights since last writing:-

We ended May, 1959, on a hectic note. On Saturday, 30th, we joined Slough Rugby Club in organizing a dance at the Bell House. The evening was a tremendous success; well over five hundred people enjoyed the dancing, barbecue, buffet and outdoor swimming. On Sunday 31st, the Old Paludians played cricket at the Club House against a T.V. eleven which included such personalities as Keith Miller and Mike and Bernie Winters, with Jon Pertwee umpiring. This was in conjunction with the Maidenhead River Festival Organisation, in aid of local charities.

In June, the annual cricket match with the school was played and on the same day we held our opening-day First Anniversary celebration. Both the cricket match in the afternoon and the outdoor dance in the evening were thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Moving on once more, we come to September and two events of note come to mind. Firstly, our annual barbecue; this time we were blessed with fine weather, thus allowing most people to enjoy cooking out-of-doors round the fire, whilst more energetic souls danced away the evening in the Club House. Secondly, the motoring section held their most enterprising rally yet, with a day out to the seaside at Brighton.

At Christmas there was the usual hectic round of gaiety with some three or four dances at the Dolphin Hotel and a 'hop' at the Club House, all within three and a half weeks, concluding with the Annual New Year's Eve Dance at the Dolphin—our fifteenth on the run.

In February there was the Annual Dinner and Dance. This time we joined with old pupils from Slough High School to make the evening a great success. Another change from routine was that we moved to the White Hart in Windsor to allow more room for our extra numbers.

Two months pass by and we find that some of our members have collaborated with some old pupils from the High School to put on the play, *Sailor Beware*. This was performed at the High School in aid of World Refugee Year and proved to be a great success in all ways.

Finally the year closed with our Chairman's Buffet when Mr. J. Collin invited all those who had contributed something to the well-being of the Club to join him for the evening.

A. MABBOTT, Hon. Assistant Secretary.

Old Paludians Football Club

The Old Paludians Football Club can look back on the past season with considerable satisfaction, for, although all the Senior teams were quickly dismissed from the Cup Competitions for which they had entered, the league results were very good indeed.

To begin with, the First Eleven, which is, after all the show piece of any club in the Old Boys' League, maintained an unbeaten record in winning the Division One (South). As a result they are now promoted to the Intermediate Division of the league after having lost but one league fixture in two seasons. One really notable achievement was the result of an Old Boys Cup match versus Old Salesians at Ewell. Arriving with eight men, the others lost their way, they were leading 2-1 during extra-time when bad light stopped play. For some unaccountable reason the replay at home resulted in a 5-2 defeat, a most remarkable reversal of form.

Some most enjoyable friendly matches were played, and one remembers with pleasure the encounters with Westminster Bank, Old Suttonians, and Old Cheyneans, last years' champions of the Old Boys' League—Premier Division, who were beaten 2-1. At the end of the season the first eleven were invited to play once more for the Chalvey Hospital Cup, but on this occasion the village team were the victors by scoring a late winner and the result was 4-3.

For the second team this was not such a successful season. Injuries, shift-work, business, and other reasons left this team bereft of stability, but nevertheless, with a little more luck, and sharper shooting this team would have found themselves in the top three of the well matched Division Two (West). This can be borne out in the fact that no fewer than six matches were drawn 1-1. Nevertheless the spirit of this side was top class, and if the results were disappointing there can be no doubt that the season was, on the whole, most enjoyable.

The third eleven made a welcome re-appearance in the league, competing in Division Four (West), and with a subtle blend of youth and experience under their captain Jimmy Sexton, just failed to carry off the title due to inferior goal average. They finished on level points with the champions, Old Salvatorians Reserves, who they had the distinction of beating 5-1 at home, and 2-1 away. Had it not been that many of their players were "called to higher service" on several occasions they would have most certainly won the title. Perhaps they will have the chance to prove themselves next season for the team spirit of this side is strong enough to move the proverbial mountains.

Once again it was a most successful season for the minor team who won for the third successive season the First Division of the Minor League, although like the senior teams they were not blessed with the best of luck in the Cups. Nevertheless a 4-0 win against Battersea Y.C. in the Colwyn Cup must stand high in their achievements and they did have the satisfaction of being beaten by the eventual winners of this cup. The now seemingly annual trip to Marlow resulted in the winning once more of the "Wycombe" Cup by defeating Spital Boys' Club in the final. Roger Thomas had yet another successful year and was the top scorer.

For the first time we were able to field a Minors' reserve eleven who like the aforementioned third eleven celebrated their debut by ending the season in the runners-up position. Tribute should be paid to the enthusiasm of Johnny Bayford, who gave of his best in ensuring that they were well organised, and the results can vouch for his success in this field.

In conclusion the club would particularly like to thank Mr. Myatt for his considerable help in the gymnasium, and thus helping to ensure that everyone was reasonably fit. It would be most pleasing to see more players at training nights during the coming season. Also thanks are due to George Pontin, Frank

Biggs, and Doug Nicholas for yet another end of season Sausage and Mash Supper, and all the various committee members for their work in various fields of the club's activity.

The records of the five elevens in league matches at the conclusion of the season were:-

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
First XI: Champions Div. 1 (South)	20	18	2	0	68	23	38
Second XI Div. 2 (West)	20	6	6	8	44	40	18
Third XI: Runners-up Div. 4 (West)	16	12	2	2	51	22	26
Minor XI:							
Champions Youth League Div. 1	12	11	0	1	71	23	22
Minor Reserves:							
Runners-up Youth League Div. 2	14	10	0	4	91	26	20

J. TEBBITT.

Old Paludians Hockey Club

In spite of the general keenness shown by members, this was a season of losses rather than victories. The 1st XI, ably captained by K. McLaughlin, has produced a fair record, gaining skill and confidence as the season progressed. Three players from its ranks, A. Stevenson, K. McLaughlin and B. Deuchar, were asked to play for the County. The two remaining elevens were plagued by constant team changes, and failed to develop as teams, the 3rd XI often having the added difficulty of facing opponents older and more experienced than themselves. While the 2nd XI contained a leavening of the club's more knowledgeable members, the 3rd XI drew largely on the School, and while this has given an opportunity for learning, it has left very little time for practice. It is hoped that the County Coach will be available from August onwards to give the club the benefit of his help, which the two boys who attended the Junior school, B. Deuchar and D. Thomas, will well remember.

Results:

	Goals					
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.
1st XI	28	12	7	9	60	63
2nd XI	19	4	5	10	27	40
3rd XI	16	4	1	11	25	52